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PROPOSED CANTON HARBOUR
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THE PROJECT IN DETAIL.

Port developments at Canton, costing near four millions of dollars, so as to accommodate sea-going vessels, are mooted in the "Canton Gazette" which says, inter alia:

The Conservancy Board has drawn up plans for the reformation of Canton water communications. The plan involves conservancy, construction of forts and constructive and reclamation work in Honam, Chau Tau Jui (Honam Point), and along the river to Chiung-chou. The budget for this important task is estimated at \$3,800,000 H.K.

Within the past two years parts of the rivers serving Canton have been getting very shallow, especially the part near Tai Mei Mun which is 7 kilometers (3.3 knots) from the West Bund. In 1927 the depth of water at that place during low tide was about 10 to 11 feet; but now it is only 7 1/2 feet. This is of great danger to navigation. It is very common to find steamers aground on that spot. If this place is not dredged, the time will come when Canton river will entirely be unfit for navigation.

The proposed method for fund raising is to levy a surtax. This will be applied to all Chinese and foreign merchants. The plan is as follows:

Proposed Surtaxes.

(a) Surtax will be levied and collected by the Customs on all custom taxes, except the tonnage dues and the transit duty, at the rate of 5 per cent. of the original tax. Surtax will also be collected from goods which have certificates for free duty, at the same rate.

(b) Steamers having a net tonnage of 350 tons must pay a must pay a tax of 2 candelers per net ton, once they anchor in the harbour.

(c) Those goods free from duty, except silver and gold, should pay a surtax at the rate of .025 per cent. of their value.

(d) Inland steamers running on schedule and having a net tonnage of 250 tons must pay a surtax at the rate of .25 candelers per net ton, once they enter the port and after they pay custom duties.

The above rule applies to steamers running between Canton and Hongkong and Macao.

(e) A 1 1/2 per cent. surtax will be added to the inspection fees levied by the native customs. This sum will be used for the reclamation of rivers.

Bigger Ships To Enter.
If the above plan is carried out, then steamers having a draught of 19.8 feet will be able to enter Canton harbour.

The following is a detail budget of the different expenditure for the work.

(1) Tai Mei Mun.
(a) The necessary funds for putting the construction work into operation here will be about \$295,000 H.K.

(b) The fund for completing the construction work will be \$1,335,000 H.K.

[The first item of expenditure includes the excavation of the river to Tai Mei Mun, blocking up of the river to Luk Kou and the removal of the Tai Mei Kok dyke.]

(2) Tai Sek Lau, Kong Sha And Tai Shek Chap.
The construction work here will cost about \$257,000 H.K.

(3) Yuen Kong And Sapa Ngon.
The construction and reconstruction work in these places will cost about \$1,095,000 H.K.

(4) The reconstruction work of Canton Harbour will cost about \$661,000 H.K.

(5) The cost of machinery, apparatus and other expenditures will be approximately \$1,198,000 H.K.

The construction work should begin during the dry season.

Mr. C. A. B. Melbourne has been appointed a member of the Licensing Board for a further period of three years. The term of office of the Justices of the Peace member, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., having expired, an election will take place in the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court on Tuesday, February 2.

POLICE FIGHT.

INDIAN CONSTABLE KILLED
BY BULLET.

SHANTUNG MAN DETAINED.

An Indian police constable was killed last night and a Shantung constable is to be charged with murder on Monday.

While the annual police ball was in progress at the City Hall last night, a message went down from Central Police Station, Mr. T. H. King (Director of Criminal Investigation) and Dr. Paterson proceeded to Volunteer Headquarters, where the wounded man was lying.

An official statement given this morning says:

P.C. B221, Gulam Mahomed, was on post duty at Volunteer Headquarters, P.C. D327, Han Yuan-hua, was on beat duty in the neighbourhood.

About 10.15 p.m. the two men met at point at the end of Volunteer Headquarters parade ground, near the road.

A quarrel started, for some reason at present unknown. The ground indicated that there had been a fight or struggle of some kind during which the revolver of Hsu Yuan-hua was discharged.

The bullet penetrated the groin of Gulam Mahomed, apparently severing one of the main arteries.

Hsu Yuan-hua then reported to the Indian constable on duty at the Garden Road traffic post that there had been a fight and that Gulam Mahomed was shot.

This constable went with Hsu Yuan-hua back to the spot where Gulam Mahomed was lying on the ground and telephoned to Police Headquarters.

The deceased constable, it is understood, was put in a chair, but expired before reaching the Central Station.

As far as is known, and from inquiries at the time, the shot was not heard by others in the vicinity.

WAR PENSIONS.

NEARLY TWO MILLION
PERSONS BENEFITING.

COST TO THE COUNTRY.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 22.
Six and a half years after the Armistice, 1,906,000 persons were in receipt of compensation in form of pensions and allowances from the Ministry of Pensions. Of these 61,000 were disabled officers and their dependants or dependants of deceased officers.

These facts are brought out in the eighth annual report of the Minister of Pensions, Major Troyon, which is issued as a White Paper.

The cost of pensions, allowances, medical treatment, and administrative expenses for the year was \$69,122,000 bringing the total expenditure in connection with war pensions since the establishment of the Ministry in 1917 to \$598,000,000.

The cost of the official administration, as distinct from expenditure on benefits for the year, worked out at under one shilling in the pound.

At the end of the year the aggregate number of beneficiaries to whom compensation had been paid since the outbreak of war was 24,560,000.

ECONOMY BILL.

GOVERNMENT'S PLANS FOR
COMMONS.

EFFECT ON THE ESTIMATES.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 22.
It is understood that the Government's Economy Bill will be before the House of Commons at the same time as the Estimates, and Parliament will, therefore, be able to envisage both.

The papers state that the Cabinet Committee on Economy, presided over by the Prime Minister, in another fortnight at most, will have completed its task, at any rate for the present with the result that the expenditure to be budgeted for in April will certainly be lower than the total for the current financial year.

EARTHQUAKE HERE?

LOCAL TERRORS FELT BY
RESIDENTS.

THREE SERIES OF "JUMPS."

Several local residents claim to have noticed earthquakes late yesterday afternoon, although the tremors (or "jumps," as described by one) were nothing to speak of.

On inquiry from Mr. T. F. Claxton, director of the Royal Observatory, the "China Mail" was informed that nothing occurred before 3 p.m. yesterday. The record for the time after that would be developed this afternoon when a statement would be made.

A gentleman says that he first noticed the tremor at about 5.10 p.m., followed by two more instances, at brief intervals. Each period was only of a second or two in time.

REASONABLY SAFE.

JURY AND KENNEDY ROAD
COLLAPSE.

ACCIDENTAL DEATH.

Expert evidence as to there having been no undercutting at the spot in question, also as to the cut itself having been dug in a reasonably safe manner, was given at the resumed enquiry yesterday into the deaths of four earth coolies which resulted from a collapse behind a new house in Kennedy Road.

The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental Death," and added that they considered that the cut was made at a reasonably safe angle, and that there had been no lack of supervision.

ITALY'S DEBT.

EXPERTS AT WORK IN
LONDON.

CHANCELLOR BACK FROM COUNTRY.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, January 22.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Winston Churchill, has returned to London after public engagements in the country, which have kept him away during the last two days and this afternoon he and Count Volpi will again meet.

The British and Italian experts have meanwhile been engaged in data relating to the Italian debt and their studies will be the subject of to-day's discussion between the principals of the two delegations.

A communiqué is expected to be issued this evening.

FURTHER PROGRESS.

Rugby, later.
Further progress was made in the negotiations for the funding of the Italian debt at this afternoon's meeting between Mr. Winston Churchill, Count Volpi, and the British and Italian experts.

The parties will meet again on Monday.

"NO CHANGE."

COUNT VOLPI INTERVIEWED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

London, Jan. 22.

"The barometer shows no change," declared Count Volpi, when interviewed by Reuter in regard to the progress of the Italian debt negotiations.

The Count said that he and Mr. Winston Churchill to-day discussed a tentative scheme for the draft agreement.

The experts will spend the week-end continuing the draft and thrashing out the minor points in readiness for the resumption on Monday of the discussion of the big two fundamental points which are still unsettled.

Lieut. Col. Frederick Eaves, D.S.O., Assistant Land Officer, has been nominated by the Governor as a member of the board of arbitrators to determine the amount of compensation to be paid in respect of the resumption of a Sun Shan village lot.

Unless the owner of the lot nominates a member within seven days, the chairman of the board will appoint a representative on his behalf.

DISARMAMENT.

CONFERENCE NOT TO BE
POSTPONED.

BRITAIN ALL READY.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, January 22.

Little is known in London with reference to the reports from the Continent that a postponement of the meeting of the preparatory commission to the Disarmament Conference is contemplated. The meeting is arranged to take place on February 15.

So far as the British Government is concerned, no steps have been taken to obtain a postponement. It is willing and ready that the commission should begin its deliberations at the time arranged.

U. S. COMMISSION.

Mr. Hugh Gibson.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Jan. 22.

It is expected that Mr. Hugh Gibson will be appointed United States Commissioner to the preliminary Disarmament Conference at Geneva, assisted by two military and two naval technical experts.

[Mr. Hugh Gibson has been in the diplomatic service since 1908, and has seen service in Brussels, London, and Paris. He has been attached to foreign diplomatic missions to America, and was a member of the Inter-Allied Mission to the countries of the former Austro-Hungarian Empire.]

EMPIRE RESOURCES.

STANDARD OF LIVING AT
HOME.

DECENT CONDITIONS NECESSARY.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, January 22.

Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary of State for the Colonies, speaking at Edinburgh, said that the economic problems of this country must be based on the maintenance of a standard of living for the people which would give them a decent wage and decent conditions of life.

To ensure such a standard we could not depend only upon the resources of these small islands. It could only be sustained if we brought in the overseas parts of the Empire with their limitless resources.

Our industrial and economic problems must now be considered along with those of the great Dominions of the British Empire.

CLASSIC AUTHOR.

DEATH OF MR. CHARLES
DOUGHTY.

NOTED WORLD TRAVELLER.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 22.

The death has occurred at the age of 83 years, of Charles Doughty, author of "Travels in Arabic Deserts" which was published 38 years ago and is still regarded as a classic.

His writings show profound knowledge of life and manners of peoples encountered on his extensive travels in all parts of the world.

H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., has been pleased to accept the position of Honorary Colonel of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Captain James Charnock, Army Educational Corps, has been appointed a member of the Board of Education vice Captain A. E. Watts who has left the Colony.

The case in which a young Peruvian is charged with obtaining money by false pretences by the issue of false passports was continued yesterday at the Central Magistracy and adjourned until Friday.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2 1/4 1/16.

RAILWAY WAGES.

"A SITUATION OF SOME
DELICACY."

LEADERS' ADVICE DISREGARDED.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 22.

The rejection last night by the delegates' meeting of the National Union of Railwaymen of the recent award of the National Wages Board creates a situation of some delicacy which is being continued to-day.

The rejection was carried by a majority against the advice of some of the Union leaders including Mr. J. H. Rnoms.

It is regarded as certain that efforts will at once be made to open fresh negotiations with the railway companies, which have accepted the award.

FRESH INSTRUCTION.

RE-OPENING NEGOTIATIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Jan. 22.

The N.U.R. delegates' conference has instructed the Executive to open negotiations immediately in regard to the wages' question.

DISPUTE REVIEWED.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, later.

The Delegates' Conference of the National Union of Railwaymen, which yesterday rejected the award of the National Wages Board, decided to-day to re-open negotiations with the railway companies.

A meeting between representatives of the Union and of railway companies will take place on Monday.

For the proper understanding of the dispute it is necessary to recapitulate the circumstances leading up to it. The National Union of Railwaymen prepared and presented a wages programme for all grades which, it is estimated, would cost the railway companies forty millions sterling yearly.

The companies put forward a counter-claim for wage reductions of four shillings per week in industrial areas and six shillings per week in rural areas representing a saving of about four and a half millions a year.

The award of the National Wages Board rejects both these programmes, and leaves the conditions of the present railway employees unchanged. It provides, however, that new entrants to the service shall receive only a basic wage without a cost of living bonus.

The main grievance of the men is this clause regarding the new entrants, and upon this the renewed negotiations will centre.

WIDE MANDATE.

DELEGATES ADHERE TO DECISION.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Jan. 22.

It is understood that the N.U.R. delegates adhere to their decision to reject the award of the Wages Board, but have given the Executive a wide mandate to negotiate again with the companies.

MEN INSISTENT.

London, later.

Arrangements have been made for the Railwaymen's representatives to meet the companies on Monday to re-open the negotiations, which hinge on the Wages Board's decision depriving newly engaged men from receiving a bonus payable in old times when employed on the same grade. The men are pressing for the removal of the clause in this connection.

Meanwhile the railwaymen's delegates' conference has been adjourned to Monday.

"TWATE'S" CRUISE.

VISIT TO MELBOURNE AND
HOBART.

PRINCE ON BOARD.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, Jan. 22.

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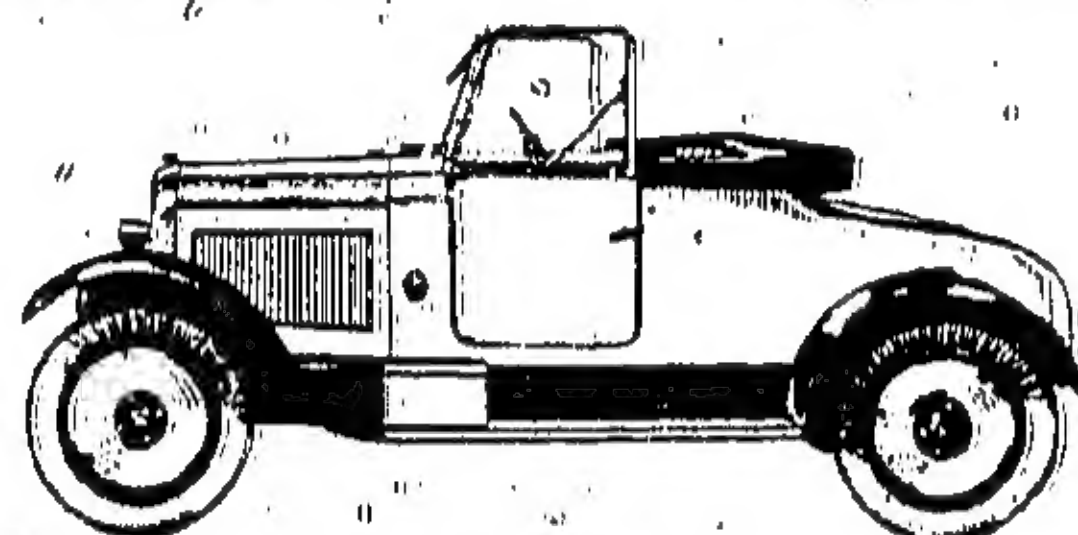
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LIGHT ON CANTON.

EFFORTS TO REACH A
SETTLEMENT.

SHANGHAI PAPER'S COMMENT.

On January 1 we printed from our Canton correspondent an account of how the strike pickets had arrested the installation manager of the A. P. C. as he landed from the steamer "Honam," after firing some 40 rifle shots at his launch, says the "North China Daily News." Another correspondent now writes to say that this report was exaggerated, that only two shots were fired, probably from a revolver, and not at the launch but in the air, as a warning only. Our original correspondent quoted a witness on the "Honam." The information received recently apparently was from the installation manager himself. The writer of this letter comments, not without reason, on the injurious effect of any exaggeration at a time like this when, he thinks, the influence of the extremists is waning. He says that although the recent negotiations for the ending of the boycott failed, there is a growing party among Cantonese officials and merchants who are working for a settlement behind the scenes. In proof of the better feeling which he believes to exist, he says that the general attitude towards the British is much improved, that they move freely about the city nowadays without interference and that some of them have even visited Whampoa and walked through the customhouse, of the customs, without being molested in any way. "In fact many of the soldiers came to attention and saluted" as the party went by. Furthermore, the Shamen Municipal Council are removing the barricades and most of the barbed wire and the gates of the Shamen are open from sunrise to sunset. All this is very good news, the import of which, as regards Chinese feeling in Canton, does not lack corroboration in other quarters.

Certain outstanding facts and tendencies may be remembered at the present juncture. Foremost, perhaps, that it is not in the kindly nature of the Chinese people to stay in a passion and nourish unkindly feeling. Secondly, that the interests of so many Cantonese business men and shopkeepers are so closely bound up with those of the Chinese in Hongkong, that there is always a strong disposition towards a settlement if only it can find room to act. On the other side, there is the intemperate nature of the extremists, like Chou Enlai, recently speaking at Swatow on the fight against imperialism. As regards this party, there appears reason to think that the dictatorial attitude of Moscow's agents is beginning to be resented even by their most ardent followers. In general, one may take it as an axiom that the Chinese will not submit to outside control indefinitely. It is perhaps not going too far to hazard the opinion that the movement started by the Russians will not subside, but will become less Russian and more Chinese, more genuinely national and less wildly doctrinaire. For the basis of all these manifestations, we cannot forget, is national feeling. That they should in their first operation be extravagant and ill-regulated is not in the least surprising; it is the rule with all such movements. But as time goes on and the first fury subsides, the whole political impetus will gain in reason and popular support. There is, undoubtedly wisdom in one suggestion recently made by a correspondent of this paper that the only possible way of dealing with the new forces at work in South China (and not only in the south) is to recognise that they have come to stay, to wait patiently for the gradual moulding of them which the irresistible influence of Chinese thought, philosophy and sentiment must impart and to endeavour to make friends with them and gain their confidence.

A general strike was declared at Amoy on January 5 with the result that no vessel worked cargo that day. The coolies, however, resumed work the next day.

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BODY AND SOUL.

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY
LECTURE.

THE CONSTITUTION OF MAN.

At the weekly public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge, The Theosophical Society, on Thursday, Mr. H. E. Lanepart gave an address on "The Constitution of Man," illustrated by charts. Extracts from his address are—

One of the fundamental teachings of Theosophy is the latent Divinity in all men, and its unfolding through "repeated re-births" on earth. When men will no more identify themselves with their changing bodies, be it the physical body, or that of sensation, or the body of the mind, then only will they realise their true Self, their own potential divinity, and learn the true proportion between the ever changing and the permanent, standing above the chances and changes of mortal life. One often finds men asserting that he is the body and that it possesses a soul, clinging to the idea of the "reincarnation" of the mortal casket. Theosophy, drawn once more the attention of the modern thought to the composite nature of man, has sevenfold constitution, which is corroborated by the division of St. Paul of man into Spirit, soul and body, given by this Christian initiate as a mere outline of the occult facts.

Theosophy shows us the constitution of man as consisting of seven stages of consciousness or being, of which four are immortal and permanent, and three mortal and new for every incarnation. They are as follows:—1, the physical body, with its etheric counterpart; 2, the astral body of sensation, of self-centred feeling, desire, emotion and passions; 3, the mental body of concrete analytical mind. There is another stage of the thought—the abstract creative thought, which partakes of immortality, with the higher bodies of man; 4, the intuitional or Buddhist or Christ body; 5, the Nirvanic or body of Divine Spirit; 6, the Menadic or body of Virgin Spirit; 7, the body of God the One Existence. The nature of the last two cannot be known by man, whilst still subject to the wheel of birth and death.

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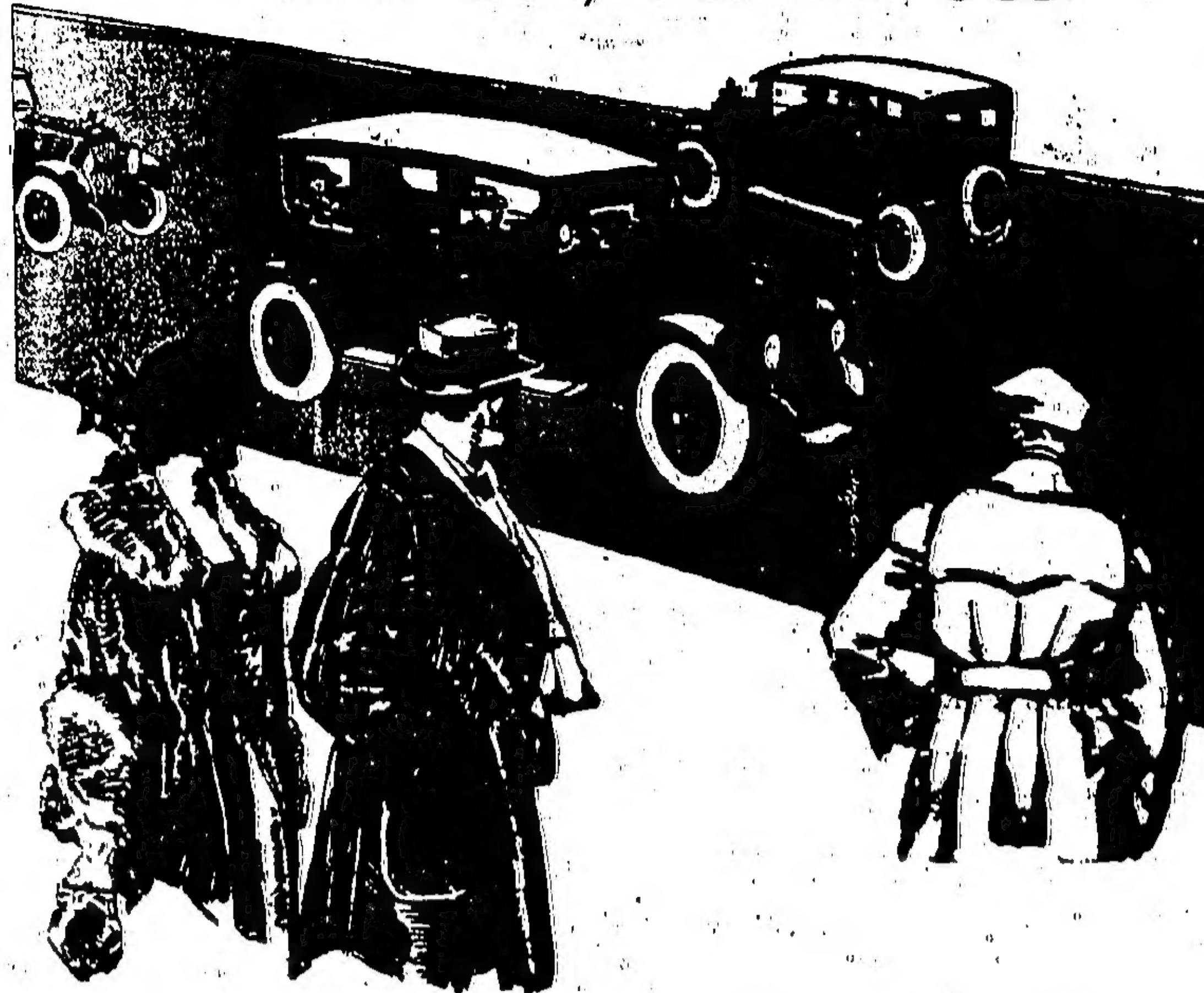
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STRAITS POWERS.

EMERGENCY REGULATIONS. BILL.

THE LESSON OF HONGKONG.

In view of what has been happening during the past few months in Hongkong, reasonable public opinion in the Straits Settlements will, we think, readily approve the main provisions of a Bill introduced in Council to confer on the Governor in Council power to make regulations on occasions of emergency or public danger, says the "Echo" (Penang). If this Bill becomes the law of the Colony, the Governor in Council whenever it appears to him that an occasion of emergency or public danger has arisen, or that any action has been taken or is immediately threatened by any person or any body of persons of such a nature and on so extensive a scale as to be calculated, by interfering with the supply and distribution of food, water, fuel or light, or with the means of locomotion, to deprive the community or any substantial portion of the community of the essentials of life may take such regulations as he considers desirable in the public interest and may prescribe penalties which may be imposed for any offence against any such regulation, and may provide for the trial, by Courts of Summary Jurisdiction of persons guilty of such offences.

In any case the powers are extremely drastic. Sub-section (2) of the Bill, goes on, without prejudice to the generality of the provisions mentioned above, to lay down that such regulations may be made with regard to: (a) Censorship, and the control and suppression of publications, writings, maps, plans, photographs, communications, and means of communication; (b) Arrest, detention, exclusion and deportation; (c) Control of the harbours, ports and territorial waters of the Colony, and the movements of vessels; (d) Transportation by land, air, or water, and the control of the transport of persons and things; (e) Trading, exportation, importation, production and manufacture; (f) Supply and distribution of food, water, fuel, light, and other necessities; (g) Appropriation, control, forfeiture and disposition of property, and of the use thereof; (h) Conferring powers on public officers and others; (i) Requiring persons to do work or render services; (j) Providing for compensation, if any, to be paid for work done or services rendered, or in respect of rights affected, in consequence of the provisions of any regulations made under this Ordinance, and for the determination of such.

Obviously some at any rate of these very comprehensive powers are bound to be in conflict with the general laws of the Colony so the Bill—after laying down that such regulations shall, unless the Governor in Council otherwise directs, come into operation upon the day on which they are made and shall continue in force until rescinded by order of the Governor and shall be published in the "Gazette" as soon as the circumstances permit and the rescission thereof shall also be so published—goes on to enact that "Any provision of any law of the Colony which may be inconsistent with any regulation made under this section shall be suspended and of no effect during the continuance of such regulation."

In the ordinary way, such legis-



Nicholas Ladovsky arrived at Ellis Island, New York, only to find himself held there pending legal adoption by E. D. Boggs, American ace of the Lafayette Escadrille, who picked him up abroad.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B.I. s.s. "Tilawa" left Singapore for this Port on January 18, a.m., and is due here tomorrow, at about 8 a.m.
The P. & O. s.s. "Karmala" left Singapore for this Port on Jan. 18 at 6 p.m., with the outward English Mails, and is due here today at about 6 p.m.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" on Jan. 22—Rev. Sparham, Miss H. Chung, Mr and Mrs Chapple, Seaman C. Tait, Able, Mrs C. E. Lintthac, Mr S. C. Leung, Mr and Mrs Baker, Mrs H. M. Kendall, Mr I. Pappo, Miss K. C. Griggs, Miss Y. T. Law, Mr R. W. Andersen, Mr R. D. Rees, Mrs J. Massebeug, Mr C. A. Bower, Miss D. Metcalf, Mr W. Archer, Mrs B. Terry, Miss D. Foster and Master A. Garcia.

lation might be regarded by the purist as constituting a far-reaching attack upon all the fundamental rights arising out of the principle of the liberty of the subject. But we have seen what has happened in a neighbouring Colony, where, in the absence of such a law, evilly disposed persons were able partially to paralyse the life of the community, to do immense damage, both to public and to private interests, and to inflict great hardship and suffering on thousands of innocent individuals. And, not knowing when the wave of lawlessness may perhaps sweep down from the north to the shores of Malaya, we think it only right that the local Government should be armed with such powers as will enable it to meet the forces of disorder on rather more equal terms than was the case elsewhere.

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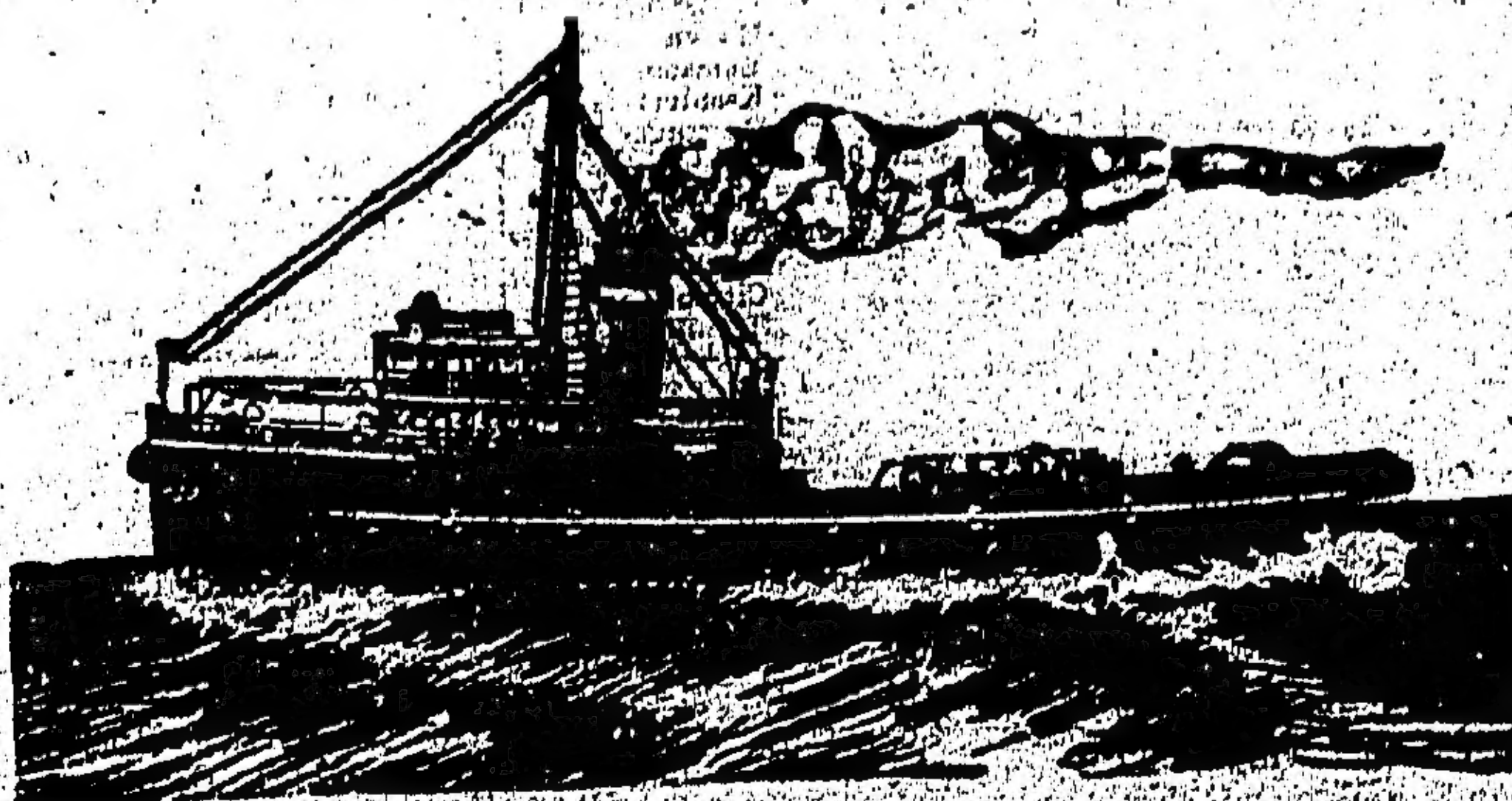
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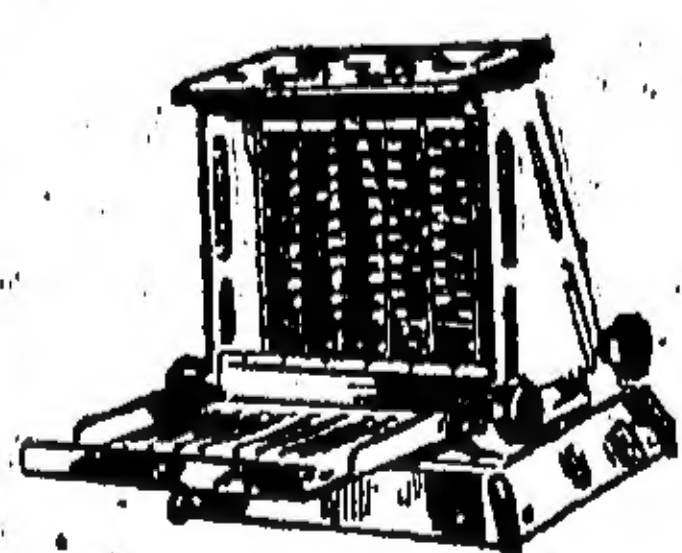
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Hongkong, Saturday, January 23, 1926.

KARAKHAN'S WILL.

In perfect accordance with
Soviet principles in relation to
Chinese affairs, M. Karakhan has
sent a lengthy will to the Foreign
Office in Peking, complaining of
the breach of agreements, at the
very moment when Peking is call-
ing attention to the violation of
Treaty rights by the Reds taking
over control of the native Customs
in Swatow. Peking, of course, is
equally inconsistent, inasmuch as
while it talks of resuming the
expedition against the Mukden
War Lord, it is discreetly silent
as to the measures to be brought
to bear against the Treaty
breakers in Swatow.

M. Karakhan and his clique see
no possible harm in influencing
the Chinese to break, defy, and
seek the abolition of Treaties and
agreements made between China
and the Powers (Russia excluded,
of course). Yet, he positively
fumes with rage, and threatens to
"meet troops by troops" at the
first suspicion of a breach of
agreements between China and
the unimpeachable United Social-
ist Soviet Republics. China is to
be held responsible! China is to
take measures to ensure respect
for the agreements with the
Soviet. The Chinese Foreign
Office has to put the military
heads in their place—and to teach
them their duties if they do not
know them. China must do this,
and China must do that—at the
bidding of M. Karakhan!

It is quite evident that the
overthrow of General Kuo has
rankled in M. Karakhan's mind.
Equally positive is it that Marshal
Chang's return to power in
Mukden has upset all the Soviet
plans. Hence the creation of a
mountain out of the Chinese East-
ern Railway molehill; and hence
the desire of the "Christian"
General's comrades to recall him
to the post of duty and to resume
the expedition against Marshal
Chang.

It is within the realms of possi-
bility that, sooner or later, another
serious effort will be made to
clip Marshal Chang's wings; but
the Soviet Ambassador and Mar-
shal Feng's friends have vividly
sized upon the railway dis-
agreement to hasten drastic mea-
sures against Chang. Whether the
"Christian" General, who dis-
avowed Bolshevism while he
equipped himself with Russian
arms, will respond to the call to
action cannot be answered at the

moment. At the moment he is
grateful to heavy snowstorms in
the Unga region for delaying his
return to the political
stage. To those not behind the
scene, however, it would appear
that Karakhan and Feng between
them have stage-managed a nice
little compact for an expedition
against the Mukden War Lord,
the curtain rising on Act I, in
which Chang is shown as the
villain of the piece in regard to
the railway affair. Further com-
ment would be superfluous until
Act II, indicates the other mem-
bers of the cast and what they
are supposed to do!

WHY—?

A small drop of ink, falling,
like dew, upon a thought, pro-
duces that which makes thou-
sands, perhaps millions, think. It
must be such things as this which
incline to the general idea that
the pen is mightier than the
sword. The peace of the world
war was signed with a pen. A
gold pen was used to sign the
Locarno pact. All these debt
funding arrangements end with
the use of pen and ink. Which
has the greater virtue—the
spoken or the written word? The
written word we should say, if
only by reason of the fact that
greater care is expended in its
right use and in its right place.
That was a good leader of yours
the other night, says a sym-
pathetic friend, only to dash your
fond hopes when he cannot tell
you the subject of that which
arrested either his critical or his
aesthetic faculties. We thank
him inwardly for a compliment
which is probably well meant, and
which we spoil by an effort to
trace to its logical course. Next
to this "benefactor" or critic of
appreciation to the newspaper
man, is the person who knows
What Subjects Papers Should
Deal With. "Why don't you write
about—?" he begins, and the
fired writer begins to thank the
answer to an unconscious prayer
for a subject. Jaded senses re-
vive, and the light of battle gleams
once more. What is it that the
journalist should write about?
Most people are apirists—that
is, in common parlance, they have
"bees in their bonnets." Think it
over and apply the innuendo.
This man thinks that the air is
overshadowed with germs—un-
healthy ones too. They cause
sickness and often lead to death.
These germs come from sweeping
verandahs into streets. Strictly
speaking the dust and dirt of
verandahs. Therefore "why don't
you write about it?" Then there
are signboards. The number of
people killed in Hongkong through
signboards impressing themselves
on the skulls of people is not
known. But signboards, in a
typhoon, may come down and in
doing so, may hurt someone.
Therefore "why don't you write
about signboards?" Of the
reader who has heard things and
passes them on as subjects worthy
a paragraph, or a more extended
notice, much can be said. He
means well. After all he is a
"carrier"—one of the members of
an innumerable throng that live
on small talk and the idle chatter
that is not worth a moment's pur-
chase. He reckons little of those
letters—often anonymous—
which, like unwanted foundlings,
find themselves on the editor's
doorstep—upbraiding him for
writing this and publishing the
other. Conducting a newspaper,
has become to be ranked along-
side such specialised subjects as
teaching—it can be done much
better by those who probably
know little about it. We shall
continue to be blessed with wise
and well meaning souls who ask
us why we don't write about this
that or the other. We suffer
them gladly, for after all they
have interests, and their "bees"
generally, have no nasty sting in
them.

LAST NIGHT'S BALL.

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The Police Ball last night was
a greater success even than past
achievements lead one to expect
from this annual function. The
arrangements were of the usual
high order. The guests were
numerous (about 300) but not too
many to interfere with the enjoy-
ment of the dancing. The absence
of similar functions for some con-
siderable time, owing to the
mourning for Her Majesty the
late Queen Alexandra, was also
probably a contributory factor to
last night's outstanding success.

The decoration efforts of the
workmen engaged from early
morning at the City Hall were
seen to great advantage. A
notable feature was the coloured
electric lights which bedecked the
vestibule and led up the spacious
stairway to the dance rooms and
buffet. Rows of ferns also lined
the stairway. The "Charge
Room," below, also the "Devils
Den" (card room) had their parti-
cular devotees. These, too, were
attractively decorated.

Excellent dance music was pro-
vided by the Hongkong Hotel
orchestra. The floor, a little bit
heavy at first, improved as the
evening progressed.

Those present included H.E. the
Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi,
K.C.M.G.) and Lady Clementi,
Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B.E.,
C.M.G., Commodore A. J. B.
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King, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Booth,
Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Gerrard, Dr.
and Mrs. Moore, the Sisters of the
Government Civil Hospital and
others.

The Governor was attended by
Capt. Steele, M.C. (A.D.C.), and
Mr. E. Foster (Private Secre-
tary).

The General Committee in
charge of affairs comprised: Mr.
P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. C.S.P.
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man), Mr. A. V. Baker (Secretary
and Treasurer), Mr. L. R. Whant
(Assistant Secretary), and
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THE "STAR" FERRY
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The report of the Star Ferry
Co., Ltd. for presentation to
shareholders at the 28th ordinary
annual meeting to be held at the
office of Messrs. Jardine, Mathe-
son & Co., Ltd., at noon, on Thurs-
day, January 28, is as follows:—

The net earnings of the boats,
after paying all working expenses,
amounted to \$298,419.77.

The amount at credit of profit
and loss account, after trans-
ferring \$200,000.00 to reserve
fund, \$20,000.00 to accident fund
and \$24,666.32 to special repairs
fund, paying for repairs and a
retiring bonus to the former
Secretary, allowing for Directors'
and auditor's fees, bad and doubt-
ful debts and depreciation, includ-
ing \$212,415.08 brought forward,
is \$272,234.69, which, with the
approval of shareholders, it is
proposed to appropriate as
follows:—

To pay a dividend of	\$1.50 per share	120,000.00
To pay a bonus of	\$1.50 per share	120,000.00
To carry forward		32,234.69
		\$272,234.69

Directors.—Mr. D. G. M.
Bernard and Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang
joined the Board in place of Mr.
B. D. F. Beith and Mr. C. Gordon
Mackie, resigned.

In accordance with the Articles
of Association Hon. Sir C. P.
Chater, Kt., C.M.G., retires but
being eligible offers himself for
re-election.

Auditor.—The accounts have
been audited by Mr. C. Bernard
Brown, A.C.A., who offers himself
for re-election.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart are
passengers in the "Taping" on
her maiden trip to Australia. The
boat left yesterday.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

We share the feel-
ing of a young
friend of ours that
the local branch of the Mothers'
Union will never go on strike!

"The biggest dam in the world"
as a headline is rather striking.
But isn't there a bigger? Damn!

To describe some people as
belonging to the cream of society,
appears to us a bit thick!

It may be the "British Wireless
Service," but judging by the
quantity it seems to be the "Brit-
ish Wiremore service."

The Police Ball last
night was not like
one that George
Meredith, the writer, attended at
Essex. He was uncomfortable
and he caught a severe cold. Here
are his impressions:—

"The ball? I try to remove
the mists of jaundice, for I can't
get a view of it without some
yellow. It was frightful to me.
The young women (with one or
two exceptions) were hideous; the
old ones talked of the weather,
and shivered; as I do now at the
recollection of my suffering. If
you want a sight of the room,
open your piano's lid, strike the
notes, and see the little bobbing
heads in the interior. They bob
to some purpose; but oh! this
sight! . . . At 12 midnight,
supper. Champagne cup (small
beer, sweetened, with a fizz) to
wash down blocks of incarnate
dyspepsia in a room half frost.
Half fire. The women who had
danced would sit in the draughts,
and those who hadn't chattered
they knew not what with
imbecile chins."

This is how the game
FAN TAN, struck Count
Hermann Keyserling
the traveller philosopher, who
visited Macao in the course of
his travels:—

"At night-time I occasionally
visit one of the famous 'gambling
hells' and amuse myself with the
Fan Tan. There can hardly be
anything more calm and peaceful
than such a hell. Gamblers
almost always, look earnest and
professional, but I have never
observed anywhere such cheerful
equanimity as in Macao. The
game in itself is infinitely dull;
the player at best can only win
very little, the bank must in all
circumstances win a great deal.
The Chinaman, however, goes
home calmly and placidly after he
has played away his daily wage.
He rocks himself at most, if he
has lost too much in sweet opium
dreams to comfort himself."

THE REVOLT OF MRS. HUMMING-BIRD.

In the midst of our discussions
there was a whirl in the colum-
bines, and Mr. Humming-bird ap-
peared. This was so unusual
that pony-plans ceased abruptly;
we sat very still. (Mr. Humming-
bird is shy; besides, he is such a
beauty. We must be sure to
have more columbines in these
beds next year, they suit him so
—and he does love them. But—
had Mrs. Humming-bird, for
once, sent him out to do the work?
He had—so far as anything as
transient as a humming-bird could
have—the arduous, painstaking
expression of one who grapples
with an unaccustomed task; some-
times blundered a little, once
almost missed his aim at a
columbine-division. Surely this
was the revolt of Mrs. Humming-
bird. Every day, before, she had
been doing the strenuous honey-
search, tasting and sucking with
all her little might; dashing at
every possibility, prying furiously
into the slightest crack in the
folded petals (the columbines were
hardly out), sometimes at an in-
hospitable closed bud.

(Imagine Mrs. Humming-bird
declaring, "Dearest, I must
have a job"; Mr. Humming-bird
retorting, "Darling—don't you
think you have one already?" and
Mrs. Humming-bird silencing him
—if a humming-bird husband
could be silenced, which I doubt—
with, "But this sitting on a nest,
beloved, is a bore. I want to be
out—being important, being
visible, in the fierce traffic of the
flower-beds!") Humming-bird
nests, they tell us, are lined with
cobwebs; imagine one of these
little fiery creatures constraining
itself to handle a cobweb; to
weave it, patiently, into lining.
Either cobwebs are tougher than
one thinks—or else a humming-
bird can be gentle when it tries.

Later on, when leaves thinned,
we saw the little thimble-bump of
a nest, high up but on a strong
limb as broad as the nest. No
precarious fork-architecture for
these two. Getting honey was
precarious enough, without a
wiggly nest to worry over. I wish
all birds were as careful.

There must at least
be a thousand ways
of speaking or writ-
ing of Hongkong. There are
probably more—one for each of
those who have seen the place.
The local habit is to drag in some-
thing about a barren rock and
pirates—much done to death.
The Shreds man has been interest-
ed to note how three writers deal
with the subject. Count Hermann
Keyserling in his "The Travel
Diary of a Philosopher" deals with
Hongkong in a page. "The
scenery of Hongkong reminds me
of the Riviera," he says, and goes
on to other reflections. Louis
Couperus (almost dead) in "East-
ward" is delightful. "A fishing-
village called Aberdeen. . . . a
few Chinese temples with porce-
lain gods and dragons on the
roof. . . . Bends and turnings. . . .
a golf course. . . . Stella Benson
in "The Little World" writes
about teaching the Bible in Hong-
kong and a visit to a Chinese
theatre, and you come away from
it feeling impressed with a picture
that you know to be true to
life. . . . One wonders if the
Governor has read the Count's
philosophical travel book. There
are some deep musings in the
chapter on Canton on the spoken
and written word which are worth
attention. The Count's opinion
of Canton is that "this town is
beautiful."

There is a sarcastic
effort of a Scots
minister to
wash down blocks of
incarnate dyspepsia in a room half frost.

He was uncomfortable
and he caught a severe cold.
Here are his impressions:—
"The ball? I try to remove
the mists of jaundice, for I can't
get a view of it without some
yellow. It was frightful to me.
The young women (with one or
two exceptions) were hideous; the
old ones talked of the weather,
and shivered; as I do now at the
recollection of my suffering. If
you want a sight of the room,
open your piano's lid, strike the
notes, and see the little bobbing
heads in the interior. They bob
to some purpose; but oh! this
sight! . . . At 12 midnight,
supper. Champagne cup (small
beer, sweetened, with a fizz) to
wash down blocks of incarnate
dyspepsia in a room half frost.
Half fire. The women who had
danced would sit in the draughts,
and those who hadn't chattered
they knew not what with
imbecile chins."

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Hongkong man who
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old letters or anything that he has
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Mrs. Humming-bird grew very
tame, that summer. As I sat on
the steps, she would get honey all
round me. There was a flood of
climbing nasturtiums nearby; I
wondered if their honey could be
as placid-coloured as that from
more mildly tinted flowers. About
me she whizzed, now across my
feet to get into a low-lying petunia,
now in one wild whir across my
face and up over the shed-roof, in
the sudden conviction that there
were blossoms even finer among
the pumps and plantains, mowing-
machines and agriculture, of the
back yard. Beautiful, these
swoops; almost too swift—even
for thought. . . . In an in-
stant, back she would come (I
could have told her there was
nothing in that back yard) and—
zizz!—at the convolulus. . . . The
throat of the convolulus being just
too long for her beak, she could
not, with her utmost vivacity, hum
herself in deep enough to reach the
honey, so had to come to vulgar
trampling and pushing—which,
with those needle-claws, meant also
tearing and scratching. But they
were pale-gray, poetic little
scratches after all.

The gentler pencil-stripings on
the edge of the fragile blossoms
were perhaps the most touching;
so fairy-delicate, so not-made-by-
hands, that the flower looked as if
fairies, on their keen little sleds,
had been coasting down its rim.
Only a convolulus-bloom, unhappi-
ly, folds up at night. A fairy
would have to do its coasting on a
petunia.

The petunias, however, were
shorter-necked, and showed no fairy
sildings. As they blossomed more
and more thickly, she grew tamer
and tamer. I inspected every item
of her, as she hummed before me;
the thorn-like shine of her beak;
the exact spot where she stowed
each curled-up ball of a foot; the
brace-points at the end of her
very practical tail, and, most im-
portant of all, the very black-rim-
med curve of her nearer eyelid! One
felt as if one ought to look
away; but how little she minded—
Anne Bosworth Greene, in "Dipper
Hill."

RIFT IN THE LUTE.

"EFFRONTERY OF SOVIET AGENTS."

CHINESE RAILWAY DISPUTE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, Jan. 22.

Comments in the Chinese Press reveal the extent of the rift in the Sino-Russian lute, which the Chinese Eastern Railway dispute has caused.

The semi-official "Peking Daily News" thinks that it is time its countrymen's eyes were opened to the effrontery of Soviet agents in China.

So-called Imperialism.

The paper invites the student leaders to examine Mr. Karakhan's protest to the Waichiao, in the light of his teachings against so-called imperialism; and also to examine the reasons for the loss of Mongolia, the activities of Soviet agents in Sinkiang and elsewhere, and the ruinous conditions imposed in South China by Soviet Agents at Canton and other Southern centres.

Mask Falls.

Referring to the threat of the Soviet to resort to armed intervention, the vernacular paper "Shih Jui Jih Pao" says that if these reports are true, then "the mask of friendship for China, which Soviet Russia has been wearing in the country for the past few years, will be exposed in all its nakedness. There is no doubt that we are opposed to imperialism; but we were equally set against Red Imperialism, which has clearly exposed its designs in this country."

Train Returns.

Peking, Jan. 22.

One passenger train left Harbin for Changchun on January 20 and returned the next day; but no movement has been reached regarding the resumption of normal traffic. Otherwise the situation is unchanged.

Move Against Chang.

Peking, Jan. 22.

In connection with the expedition against Chang Tso-lin, the proposal was that Li Chung-hsin, guardian commandant at Peking, should command the right flank; while Chang Yung-jung, military commissioner of Chihung, should command the left. Their forces were to unite at Chao-yang, after which they would march against Chinchow.

Feng Held Up.

Simultaneously, a report from Kalgan states that Marshal Feng Yuxiang has postponed his departure, owing to heavy snowstorms in the region of Ulan, which make it impossible for Feng's party to travel through Mongolia. Feng, therefore, is awaiting more favourable weather. A message from Kalgan states that Chang Chih-chung assumed the office of Tapan of North-West Frontier Defence at Kalgan on January 21.

Japan's Rights.

Tokyo, Jan. 22.

Replying to interpellations in the Lower House of the Diet, Baron Shidehara (Foreign Minister) stated that Japan intends to take steps to establish her commercial rights in Manchuria on a permanent basis, if the Peking Conference raises the extra-territorial question. But, meantime, he wishes to withhold from publication a concrete plan which is now under investigation.

Moscow's Views.

Moscow, Jan. 22.

Discussing the Russo-Chinese dispute in regard to the Chinese Eastern Railway the "Izvestia" declares that Chang Tso-lin is continuing his old policy of provoking complications in the relations between the Soviet and Japan. It asserts that the dispute has arisen owing to the attempts of the Chinese military leaders to usurp the rights of the administration of the Railway whose lawful demand for payment for the transport of troops accords with the Peking-Mukden Treaty in regard to the Railway.

It says that the transport of Chang Tso-lin's forces, under cover of which private goods are also carried, heavily encumbers the Railway to which Chang already owes fourteen million dollars.

The "Izvestia" proceeds to argue that the "savagery outrages" by Chang Tso-lin's armies, which have disorganised the work of the Railway, will injure Japan and China. It says that only Chang himself will suffer from the policy of provoking complications between the Soviet and Japan and China in an attempt to frustrate the friendship of three great peoples.

The paper concludes that the Soviet is honestly fulfilling its obligations under International Treaties, and demands the same of the other parties to such treaties. "We will not suffer complications to be provoked between the Soviet

MISSIONARY WORK.

CHRISTIAN MESSAGE TO MOSLEMS.

FAR EASTERN STUDENTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Jan. 22.

The report of the Missionary Council of the Church Assembly, dealing with the Moslem world, says that the interpretation of the Christian message to Moslems is vital to world peace and the safety of Christendom and cannot be postponed.

The strengthening of existing missions and reviving lapsed work will cost an extra £20,000 yearly. At least another £20,000 yearly is needed to train experts and staff adequately for the missions in Trans-Jordan, the Sudan, North Nigeria, the Diocese of Singapore, Persia, and possibly Madagascar.

"MAN POWER" SHORTAGE.

The report on the Far East states that a minimum of 172 men and women workers is required immediately, of whom 108 are needed for China, 34 for Japan, 23 for Singapore and 48 new recruits are required annually.

The report dwells on the renaissance in the Far East, manifested in the demand for education.

CHINA'S EXPERIMENT.

It says that China is attempting the same experiment in education on a purely material basis which Japan shows signs of abandoning. Every phase of the Church's work, touching education, should be emphasised, strengthened and made effective.

The report recommends that the whole question of Christian work among Far Eastern students in Western countries should be investigated.

FANTASTIC!

BRITAIN NOT LIVING ON CAPITAL.

TRADE BALANCE FAVOURABLE.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 22.

The President of the Board of Trade, Sir Philip Cunliffe, listened in a speech at Hallgill last night, reviewed Great Britain's trade figures for the past year and dismissed as fantastic the suggestion that the country was living on its capital. This, he pointed out, was definitely refuted by the trade returns; for, although an excess in imports over exports in visible trade was obvious and amounted last year to £386,000,000, the real position could only be appreciated after an accurate estimate of invisible exports was made.

Taking a strictly conservative estimate of the invisible exports, the result was that last year there was a favourable trade balance of not less than twenty-eight or thirty millions. It was certainly not smaller and might be considerably larger.

What Country Needs.

The position was even better than these figures suggested; for during the last two years Britain had been receiving imports which were set off against exports of credit during the years 1919 and 1920. But the balance to-day was insufficient. It was not nearly so much as before the war and to-day the country needed a bigger balance for the purpose of providing new capital for the development of new markets.

and China and Japan, and hope that we will be supported there-
about by China and Japan."

Soviet Manager Arrested.

Shanghai, Jan. 22.

According to a Japanese message from Harbin, Marshal Chang Tso-lin has arrested M. Ivanoff, the Manager of the Chinese Eastern Railway, presumably as retaliation for the Soviet Ambassador's Note demanding the cessation of the alleged high-handedness of the Chinese troops as regards the Railway.

INTERVENTION FAILS.

(Russian Official Telegram.)

Harbin, Jan. 21.

The Chinese military have resumed their outrageous actions on the Chinese Eastern Railway. M. Ivanoff has ordered the complete suspension of traffic on the southern section. Chang Huan-hsiang has tried intervention of the matter, but has hitherto failed. The Consul has approved Chang Huan-hsiang's action and expressed confidence that he has sufficient force to compel the management to resume traffic. The provocative ruling of this has been overruled.

COBHAM'S FLIGHT.

TREK THROUGH A LONELY FOREST.

SPLENDID PERFORMANCE.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 22.

A cablegram to the "Daily Mail" from Mr. Alan Cobham, who is mapping out an air route from London to Capetown, reports his arrival at Nkhola, in Northern Nigeria, after four hours' flight from Abercorn, 345 miles away at the foot of Lake Tanganyika.

By trekking through a desolate forest area, this journey takes approximately a month.

Mr. Cobham reports that not the slightest hitch with the aeroplane has been experienced on six thousand miles so far covered.

SPANISH FLIGHT.

Messages From Alfonso.

(Reuter's Service.)

Madrid, Jan. 22.

The Spanish airmen, mentioned on January 20, have left Palos en route to South America.

They carry messages from King Alfonso to the Presidents of Brazil, Uruguay, and the Argentine.

First Stage.

Las Palmas, Jan. 22.

The Spanish airmen have arrived here, completing the first stage of their flight to South America.

A message, dated Huila, January 20, stated—Major Franco and Captain Ruiz De Alda have arrived in a seaplane from Melilla, the first "hop," preparatory to leaving Palos De Moguer on Thursday for America.

Missing Airmen.

Amsterdam, Jan. 22.

No trace has been found of the two missing airmen who left Shippel aerodrome on Tuesday for coast defence aerial exercises.

All hope of their safety has been abandoned, the search having been seriously handicapped by rough and foggy weather along the coast.

PARIS TO TEHRAN.

Two Months' Study Tour.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, Jan. 22.

The aviators Lieutenants Challe and Rabatel completed yesterday a two months' study tour of the Paris-Teheran-Paris route, which was accomplished in spite of most unfavourable weather conditions.

PREVENT DISASTER!

SHORT TIME IN COTTON TRADE.

"MOST EFFECTIVE MEASURE."

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Jan. 22.

"The most effective measure, however distasteful, for preventing disaster in the cotton trade has been proved to be short time," says the annual report of the Oldham Master Cotton Spinners' Association.

In spite of the bumper American crop last year, and the fall in the price of cotton to 10d. a pound, the demand has fallen off and more short time is being urged to end the continuous additions to stock and the slaughtering of yarn prices.

The Committee hope that this is a temporary phase, pending the establishment of prices for the new crop. Compared with pre-war prices, raw cotton is now at a level below the average. The increase in world prices, therefore, it is difficult to believe, will not be a potent factor in stimulating a long demand. If this is insufficient to enable the trade to resume full time working, then the problem of further reducing the costs of production must be altered more drastically than hitherto.

ARMS FOR INDIA.

FROM SINGAPORE AND RANGOON.

(Reuter's Service.)

Calcutta, Jan. 22.

The Special Tribunal has sentenced an Indian named Siddhansu Chaudhury, to 18 months' rigorous imprisonment for importing pistols and revolvers from Rangoon and Singapore.

SLUMS TO GO.

PROPOSED ASSISTANCE BY STATE.

BETTER RURAL HOMES.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 22.

A Cabinet Committee has been set up to consider the proposals of the Ministry of Health, relating to slum clearance and rural housing.

It is understood that the proposal is that State assistance should be given for an admitted period in conjunction with County Councils to enable rural house owners to modernise their dwellings or place them in a proper state of repair.

It is suggested that the County Councils and the State should share equally the cost of the work involved, to be repayable by house owners.

Housing Bonds.

A further proposal is that the local authorities should take over slum areas not only for demolition, as at present, but also for improvement and that estate management commissions should be elected to supervise work which would be financed by the issue of housing bonds.

UTOPIAN!

GERMAN NATIONALISTS' DEMANDS.

LOCARNO TREATY OPPOSED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, Jan. 22.

The German National Party, at a conference last night, agreed to submit to the Reichstag a motion, making a series of demands tantamount to declaring implacable hostility to the Locarno

BUY BRITISH GOODS.

THE SLOGAN OF THE EMPIRE TO-DAY.

TRADE MARKS WANTED.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 22.

Speaking at Bath as President of the Association of the British Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Stanley Machin said that "Buy British Goods" was the slogan of the British Empire to-day.

If this campaign was to be carried to a successful conclusion it was essential that the purchasing public should have some clear means by which they could identify British made goods from goods produced by foreign labour.

The Association welcomed the announcement of the Government to introduce a Merchandise Marks Bill with this object in the forthcoming session of Parliament.

[Mr. Stanley Machin, J.P., is a Director of Crosses and Blackwell, Ltd.; was President of the London Chamber of Commerce, 1920-22; and Chairman of the Organising Committee of the ninth Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the Empire held in Toronto in 1920.]

Treaty, the entry of Germany into the League of Nations, and the determination to oppose the new Luther-Stresemann Cabinet to the utmost.

"NOT WORTH DISCUSSING."

It is not doubted, however, that the Reichstag will reject the motion, as the National Party's demands are regarded as utopian and not worth discussing at present, except the demand for the reduction of the Allied occupation forces in the Rhineland, about which all Parties are agreed; and the Government will encounter difficulties in the Reichstag unless it can make a reassuring statement in this connection.

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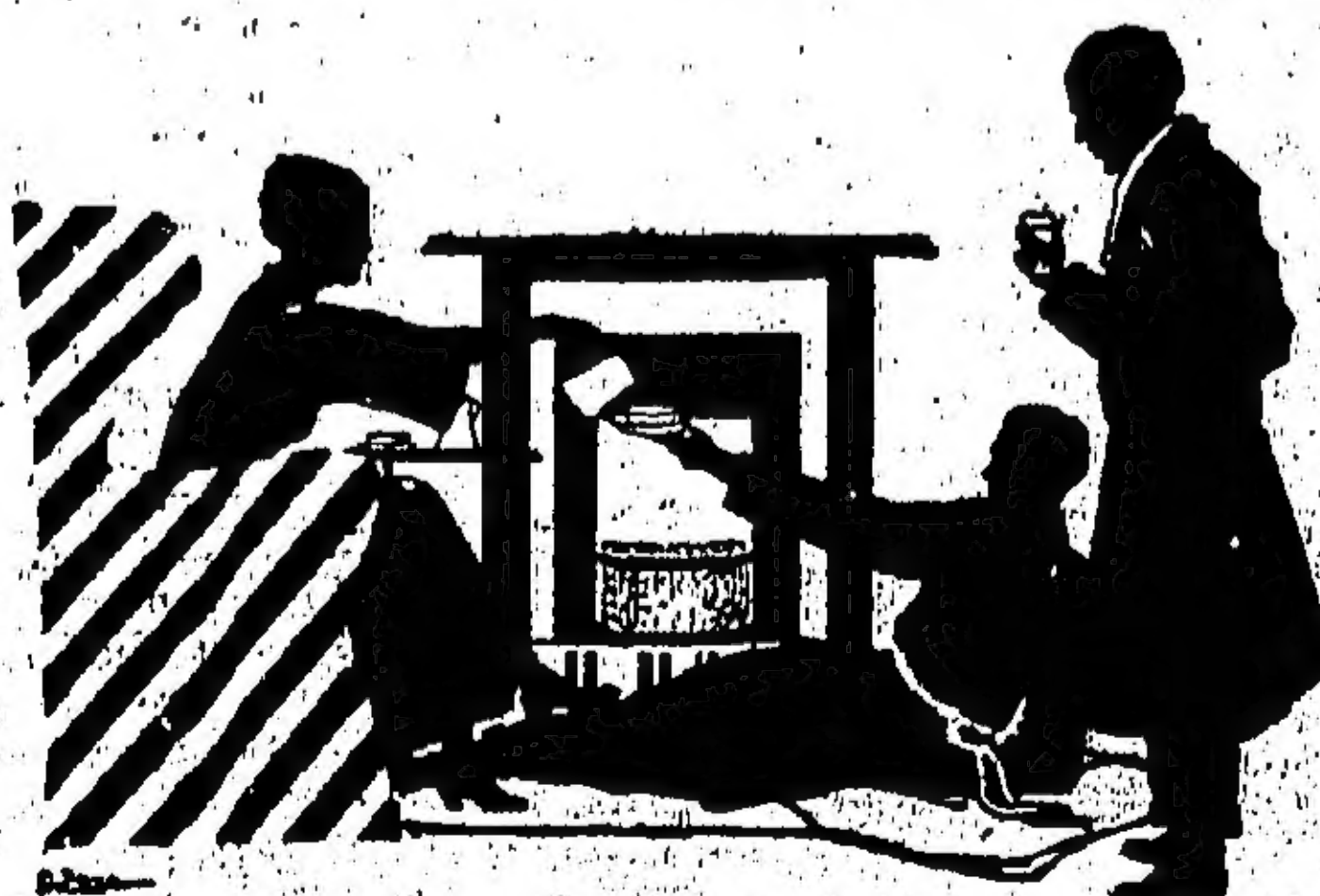
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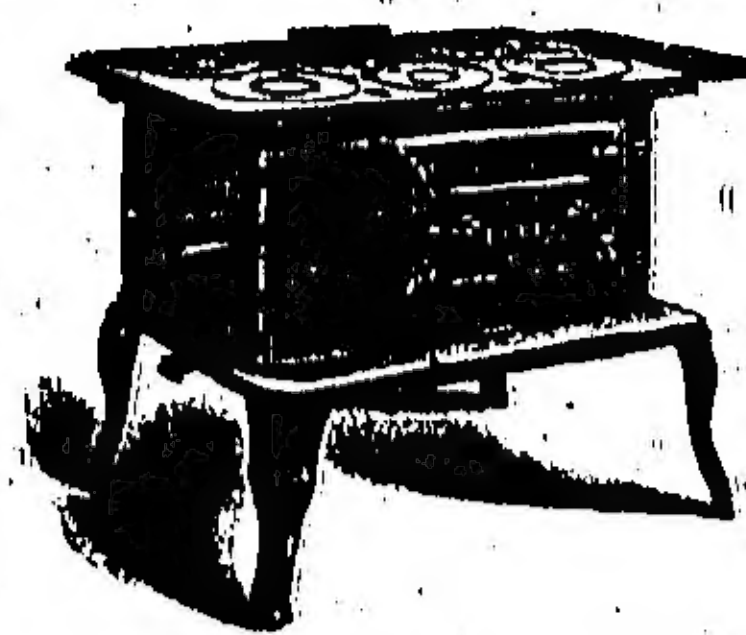
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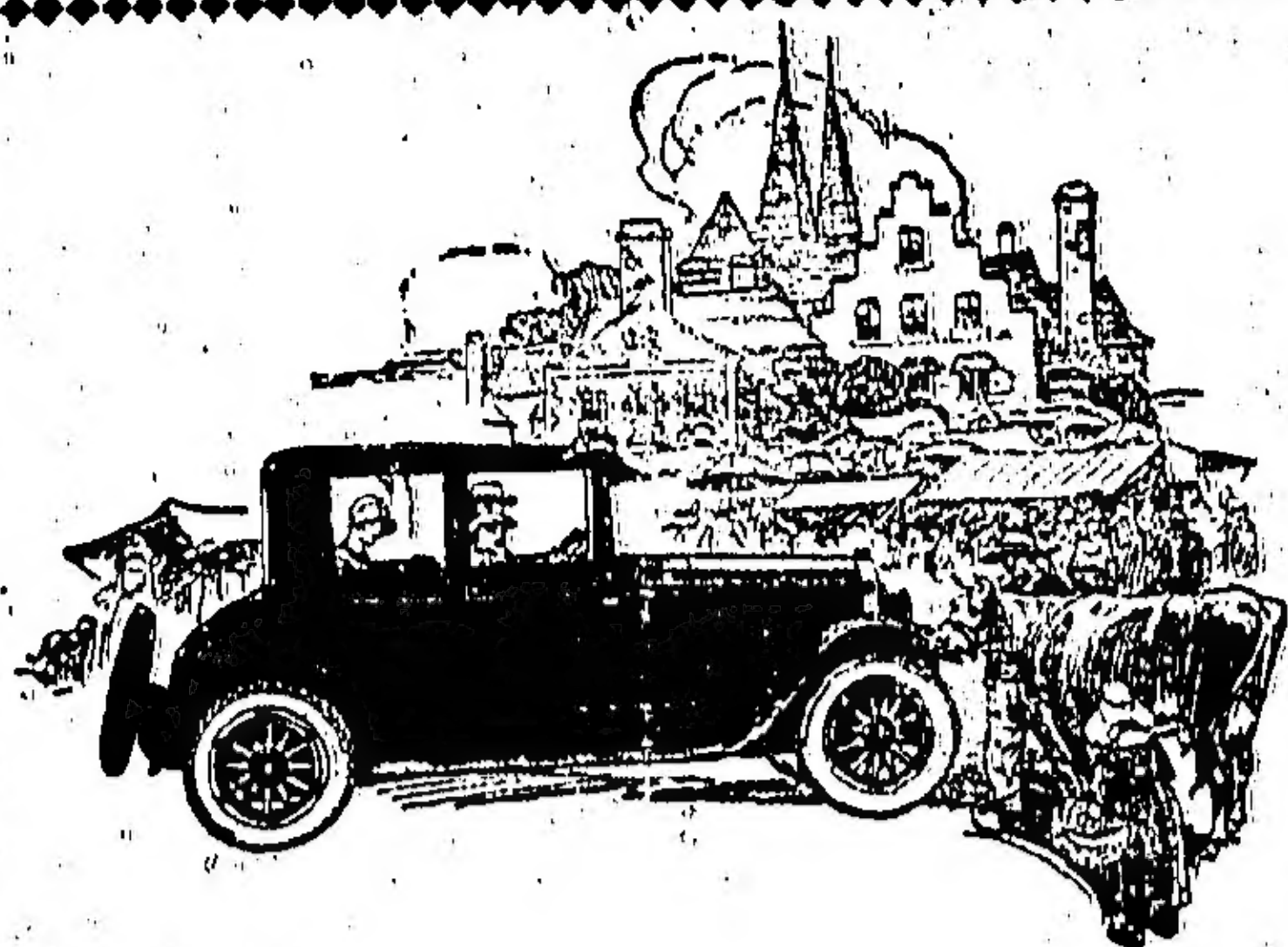
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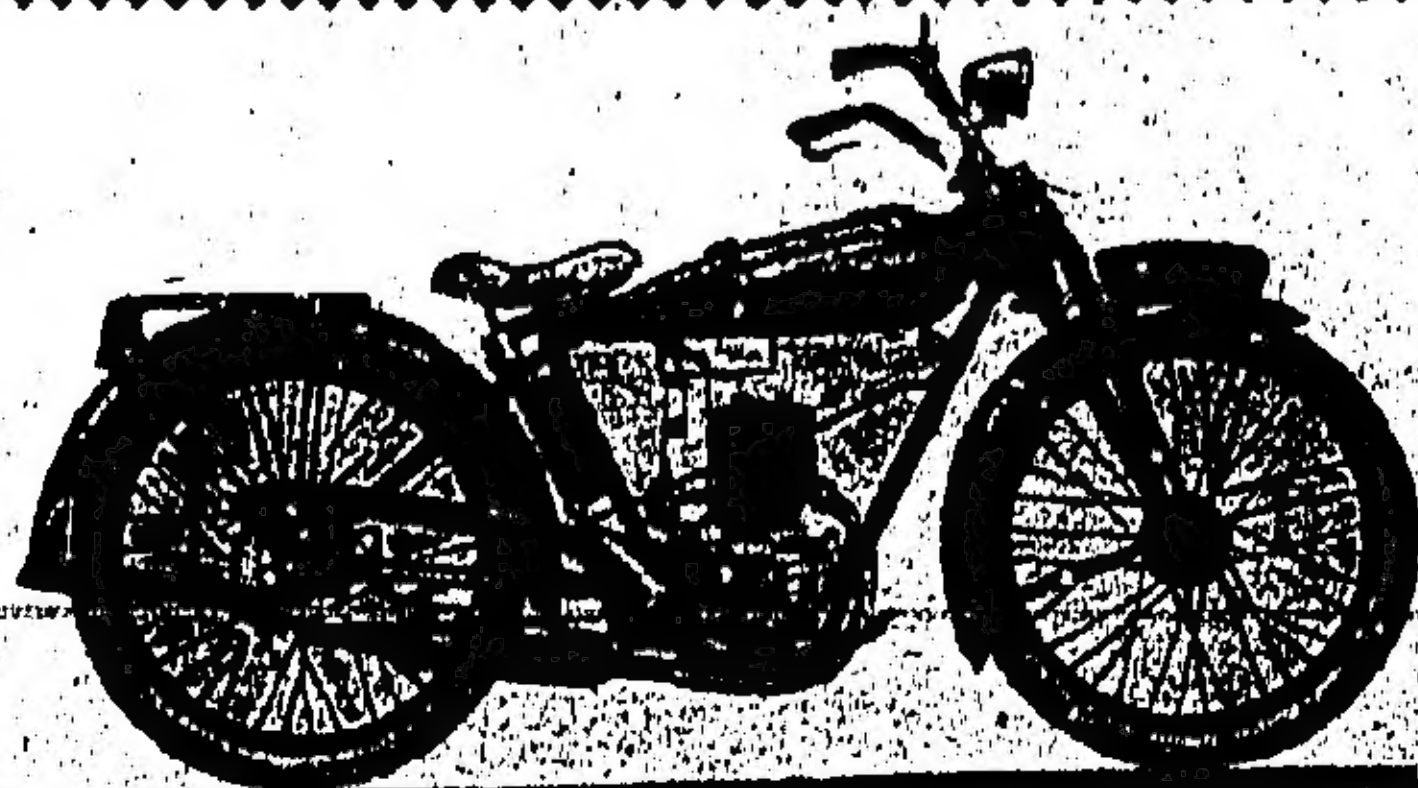
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The seventh ordinary yearly meeting of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., is advertised for February 6, 1926, at 3.30 p.m.

A Dinner in connection with the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders will be held on Friday, February 19.

The return of notifiable diseases for the 24 hours ended Thursday, shows one Chinese case of smallpox and one Chinese case of diphtheria.

The world's record for fast and accurate typewriting has been established on an Underwood typewriter, Albert Tangora retaining his title at 130 net words a minute for one hour.

A reader of the "China Mail" gives us to understand that the bonds in connection with the former Banque Industrielle de Chine have arrived and are being checked. He expresses the hope that no time will be lost in distributing them.

The annual subscription to the Hongkong Horticultural Society of \$5 is now due and any persons interested in Horticulture and desiring to become Members should communicate with the Hon. Secretary—Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, care of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

A Medical Board has been established at Weihaiwei consisting of Dr. Francis Clark, M.D., M.R.C.P., D.P.H., Senior Medical Officer, Mr. S. L. Burdett, M.C., Junior Officer, and Surgeon Commander N. S. Meiklejohn, D.S.O., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Royal Navy, Medical Officer of Health (Island).

The American Petroleum Institute announces that John D. Rockefeller has pledged a fund of \$250,000 to the institute "for the initiation of a programme of scientific research in petroleum." Mr. Rockefeller stipulated that the results of this research are to be freely available to the industry and public generally.

The British population of Kobe, according to the latest Police census consists of 506 men and 429 women. The next numerous section of the foreign community (excluding Chinese, of whom there are nearly 5,000 in Kobe) are the Americans with 309 men and 240 women. Germans come next with 244 men and 182 women.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Dr. Lim Boon Keng addressed a joint meeting of the Singapore Teachers' Association and the Old Rafflesians in the Raffles Institution hall last night.

The wedding of Mr. David de Souza and Miss Louisa Joseph is fixed to take place at the Cathedral of the Good Shepherd, to-day. This will be followed by a reception at the Singapore Catholic Club.

An informal reception was held on New Year's Day at the Chinese Staff and Agents, at Shanghai, at the residence of Mr. Percy Fowler, Chairman of Messrs. Brunner, Mond and Co. (China), Limited. It was attended by over a hundred members of the staff, and included both Chinese and foreigners.

A Shanghai Telephone Company staff dinner was given to Mr. P. H. Cole, Engineer-in-Chief and General Manager of the Company, at the Astor House on January 2. A novel feature of the dinner was a pie, which, on being opened, disclosed Master Freddie Parlan, who greatly amused the guests by reciting "Old King Cole." Miniature telephone poles and wires extended the whole length of the table.

The annual dinner of the Ex-Gunners' Roll of Shanghai was held at the Hotel Plaza. Brig-Gen. Macnaghten, C.M.G., D.S.O., formerly of Hongkong, was in the chair and was supported by some 40 members. After the royal toast had been proposed from the chair, Brig-Gen. Macnaghten, in proposing the silent toast, made special reference to the loss sustained by the Roll in the death of Brig-Gen. Marr Johnson, C.M.G., D.S.O. The only other toast to be honoured was "The Royal Regiment" after which a merry evening was spent with song and story. A special vote of thanks was extended to Brig-Gen. Macnaghten for all he had done for the Roll, and after the singing of "For he's a jolly good fellow" the room resounded with the "Tiger." A feature of the scene of decorations was the display of the regimental colours throughout the length of the table.

Kelantan Gold Mines, Limited, was struck off the Register of Companies on December 21.

It is reported that the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Malaya are not in favour of the registration of business names.

For striking another inmate on the head with a poker, a 70-year-old inmate at Torrington (Devon) workhouse, has been deprived of his tobacco for a fortnight.

Sir F. Seton James, former Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements, who is now Governor of Grenada, has reintroduced the penny post in that island as from January 1.

The bungalows built by the Yokohama municipality for foreigners who are seeking that type of house in Yokohama have been completed recently, including four at Sagiyama and one at Mameguchi near the Y.C. and A.C. They consist of two bedrooms, drawing, dining and bathroom and servants' quarters.

The captain of a ship which left its usual course in plying between Baku and the Persian port Enzeli recently discovered an old Asiatic city buried beneath the waters of the Caspian Sea. Streets, mosques and houses of Eastern architectural design could be clearly made out in the shallower stretches of the sea. It is thought this town is the ancient Haraba-Shater which sank beneath the Caspian Sea after an earthquake 300 years ago. The fishermen of the Caspian insist that there are several such towns at the bottom of the ocean and that some of them can be seen on clear days.

Some weeks ago the "Commercial" published an article entitled "Shipping agents: Are they worth while?" and emphasising the value of having a man "in touch." A reprint of the article has been made by Messrs. Litchfield and Soundy, Ltd., shipping agents, of Great Tower Street. This concern, at any rate, appears to have nothing to fear from a discussion of the utility of shipping agents, and one cannot but compliment them on their enterprise in printing the article along with a brief statement of their policy and methods. Thus the Press may directly "damn with faint praise" or indirectly praise with faint damning.

The manuscript of "Actions and Reactions" is now gifted to St. Andrew's University, by Rudyard Kipling, its ex-Lord Rector. At auction in London or New York the MS would fetch \$400 or \$500—perhaps more. Another manuscript that has found a home at St. Andrew's is that of the address on "Courage" by Kipling's Rectorial predecessor, who presented the document to the wife of the Principal, Sir James Irvine.

An old broken fiddle, brought down from the garret to be repaired for son to practise on, has brought Mr. and Mrs. Phil Menges an offer of \$10,000 from F. B. Cherloski, Detroit violinist. On the back of the violin, which cost the Menges \$25, is a label which reads: "Antonius Stradivarius, Cremona, Faciebat Anno 1716," and in one corner in a circle containing a cross are the famous initials, "A. S.," which appear on all the master maker's violins.

The Federation of British Industries is to put all its weight into the matter of the "movies" and the British side of it, and future development will be watched with interest, especially as the advertising side of American pictures is being pushed in England so forcefully, although the "state arrivals" of American stars and "movie magnates" has declined with the end of this year's "fall." It is very noticeable in London just how how the newly-erected picture theatres around Piccadilly Circus are booming the latest big films—possibly, thanks to the F.B.I., it will be the same with British films before this time next year.

A questionnaire was recently addressed to the workers, who are attending the State Opera in Moscow in increasing numbers because 30 per cent. of the tickets are reserved for trade-union members at reduced prices, as to their preferences in the matter of operatic performances. The result showed that they generally prefer Russian to foreign operas; and Rimsky-Korsakov's "Sadko" and Borodin's "Prince Igor" came first in the order of preference. "Sadko" is distinguished for its beautiful melodies, and rich imaginative staging, based upon an old Russian legend, while "Prince Igor" contains an extraordinarily brilliant ballet-scene.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

At the inquest on Canon Westlake, 46, Custodian of Westminster Abbey, who died after attending Queen Alexandra's funeral service, it was stated that he was suffering from a diseased heart, and a verdict of Death from Natural Causes was returned.

When Thomas Freyer, a native of Lincolnshire, was fined 4s. costs at Grimsby for failing to register as an alien, it was stated that 26 years ago he went to America and became an American citizen, and was now revisiting the scenes of his boyhood.

The Prime Minister has written to Sir Travers Clarke, chief administrator of the British Empire Exhibition, expressing the Government's warm appreciation of the great services which he and his staff have rendered "in an enterprise which has done so much for the Empire."

Lord Beatty, First Sea Lord of the Admiralty, in a letter states that about 27,000 is still required to make good the upperworks of the old Trafalgar ship "Impregnable" (captured from the French), and to equip the vessel as a holiday training ship for boys. Thanks chiefly to an anonymous gift of \$15,000, the under-water repairs are being put in hand. The King has subscribed \$50. Further subscriptions should be sent to Sir Vincent Baddeley, Midland Bank, Westminster Branch, Wesleyan Hall, S.W. 1.

There has been a sequel to a facetious remark made by Sir Edward Nicholl, the shipowner, who was M.P. for the Penryn and Falmouth Division from 1918 to 1922, in a speech at a police function, when he stated that, in consequence of a burglary at his mansion, Littleton Park, Shepperton, Middlesex, his servants had fled, he had failed to sell his mansion, and "up to the present I have not been able to give it away." Through the last remark being taken seriously Sir Edward has been so inundated with letters that he has been driven to announce that he is not anxious to give his estate away.

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A "BELT" FIGHT.

AND SEVERAL SPLENDID CONTESTS.

LOCAL BOXING DETAILS.

Splendid contests have been arranged for the next boxing tournament under the H.K.B.A. auspices, there being a change in the date which should be noted by local fans.

At first the Theatre Royal was booked for February 6. "Owing to the departure of H.M.S. "Hermes" from the station before that date, the fights will take place a week earlier, namely, on the night of January 30 (next Saturday).

The cream of local talent has been assembled. The programme comprises 40 rounds of boxing, with a championship bout as the main event. Details follow:—

10 rounds, for the welterweight championship of the Colony: Stoker Petty Officer "Jim" Cartledge (Royal Naval Yard), featherweight champion of Hongkong, Imperial Services and light-weight champion of Hongkong v. Able Seaman Edwin (H.M.S. "Hermes"), the holder, and middle-weight champion of the Royal Navy and Marines.

10 rounds, welterweight: P. O. Mitchell (concord), v. Stoker Norman Morris (Hermes). "No rounds, light-weight: L. S. Baker (Hermes) v. Ed. T. Emmerson (Mariners).

8 rounds, featherweight: H. Major (Hongkong) v. Kid Alfred (Mandala).

6 rounds, featherweight: Drummer Bowles (East Surrey) v. Six Rogers (Hermes).

With the exception of Mitchell and Alfred, all the men are well known here.

A points' decision having been given against Cartledge in his catchweight fight with Morris, Edwin will be out to do his very best. Edwin's style is different from that of Morris. The shipmates have not been pitted against each other but respective supporters will be able to make comparisons through Cartledge. The light-weight champion will be giving away weight but he will not be perturbed. Edwin has shown that he can get down to the limit without detrimental effects. If he wins, the belt becomes his own property. The conditions stipulated are that a man must win twice in succession, or three times in all, before taking the belt for good. Both men's records have been recently published in detail. In addition their local reputations are very convincing.

Norman Morris gave a taste of his punch against Piper and fought Cartledge like a veteran. His opponent this time is Petty Officer Cartledge who comes from the same school of boxing as Cartledge, the Devonian. At Home, Mitchell was making a name. He has won three contests in Shanghai, defeating Pavachio who is stated to have been better than Iron Box when the last-named was near his best.

Another 10 round "semi-final" is that between Baker and Emmerson. Next to Cartledge, Baker is considered one of the best lightweights in the Colony, but Emmerson has given him a run for his money. The only bout Baker has lost here, under the H.K.B.A., was to Stoker Murrell, to whom the "Hermes" had given away far too much weight. This will be the third meeting between Baker and Emmerson. Over 6 rounds, Baker won. In a return match over the same distance, a rattling bout was seen, the decision being a draw; towards the middle Baker was in difficulties but he recovered finely. Over 10 rounds this time, they should be very popular. Emmerson is still training with Cartledge.

A Filipino lad in Kid Alfred will make his debut in a local ring. Giving away weight on both occasions, he boxed 12 rounds twice with Naegelin in Saigon. The first he lost on points and the second was drawn. His record, given in detail recently in the "China Mail," showed a large percentage of victories by the knock-out route. He will be up against another hard hitter, who is also fast, clever and game, in Harry Major. The fight is over 8 rounds. Major has shown excellent form since putting himself in the hands of Cartledge and did himself full justice at the last tournament. The "Kid" is getting into trim with Iron Box, Maher and other local lads. He and Major

HOME SOCCER.

SCOTTISH F.A. CUP STARTS TO-DAY.

FIRST ROUND FIXTURES.

Below will be found the following soccer fixtures, to be played to-day, in the first round of the Scottish F.A. Cup:—
Nairn County v. St. Johnstone.
Peebles Rovers v. Keith.
Royal Albert v. Alloa.
Arbroath v. Berwick Rangers.
Cowdenbeath v. Hamilton A.C.S.
Kilmarnock v. Celtic.
Ross v. East Fife.
Clyde v. Dunfermline.
Hibernians v. Broxburn.
Bathgate v. East Stirling.
Queen's Park v. Clydebank.
Dumbarton v. Buckie.
Third Lanark v. Moorpark.
Solway Star v. Johnstone.
Partick Thistle v. Motherwell.
Aberdeen v. St. Bernard's.
Albion Rovers v. Nithsdale.
Civil Service v. Leith Athletic.
Rangers v. Lochgelly.
Dundee United v. Hearts.
King's Park v. Peterhead.
Montrose v. Clackmannan.
Douglas Wanderers v. Forfar.
Brechin v. Thornhill.
Raith Rovers v. Ayr.
Arthurlie v. Armadale.
Stenhousemuir v. Vale of Leven.
Queen of the South v. Airdrie.
Brechin v. Falkirk.
St. Mirren v. Mid Annandale.
Dykehead v. Morton.
(Dundee have already defeated Inverness Caledonians and pass into the second round.)

RUGBY CUP-TIE.

In the local rugby cup-tie, on the H.K.F.C. ground at 4 p.m. to-day against the Club, the Royal Navy team will be:—

T. Morison ("Ambrose") 1; J. Nicholson ("Petersfield") 2; L. Com. Lyle ("Hawkins") 3; E. A. Tinker ("Hermes") 4; E. A. Robb ("Hermes") 5; L. Grant ("Hermes") 6; L. Gibbon ("Hermes") 7; L. Com. Bower ("Hawkins") 8; Pay-Lt. Hussey ("Hawkins") 9; Lt. Edmondson ("Hawkins") 10; Pay-Lt. Allen ("Hermes") 11; E. R. A. McTaggart ("Hermes") 12; E. R. A. McDonald (Sub) 13; Lt. Farrell ("Bluebell") 14 and A. B. Acot (Subs.) 15.

"HONG" ROWING CUP.

Mr. E. R. P. Hornell last night presented the "Hong" Fairs rowing cup, at the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, to the P.W.D. crew who recently won the race and the trophy.

Mr. E. W. Carpenter (Commodore and Mr. A. L. Shields, Vice Commodore) were present. Hopes were expressed that the honor would soon be back in a rowing boat, as a Cox.

The winning boat comprised:—K. S. Robertson (stroke), W. R. Andrews, P. Baker, R. C. Keen (bow), H. J. Pearce (cox).

LADIES' TENNIS FINAL.

Mr. E. Grimbale and Mrs. R. E. Tottenham are the finalists in the ladies' open lawn tennis championship, to be played at the Ladies' Recreation Club, Peak Road, at 2.45 p.m. on Monday.

There will also be an exhibition men's doubles match—Colonel C. Russell-Brown, R.E. and Major W. P. A. Hatterley-Smith, R.A. v. Dr. R. E. Tottenham and Lt. Broome.

The following will represent the Hongkong Football Club Reserves in their (junior) shield fixture with the University "A" on Club ground at 2.30 p.m. to-day: D. Purves, D. Lyon, A. Howell, S. Garrod, A. Morrison, G. Punccheon, G. Stewart, T. Pile, S. Hill, E. Raiton, C. Curtis.

are certain to provide thrills, hard-knock and good class boxing.

Drummer Bowles and Signaller Rogers are two other good featherweights. Bowles has a victory over the sailor to his credit but Roger is confident that he will be better, having challenged for the championship. The drummer only lost the local belt to Seaman Gardner by a narrow verdict.

All the men are in good form and will soon be putting on the finishing touches to their training. With such a programme there is bound to be a bumper attendance next Saturday. Booking announcements will be made in due course.

CRICKET NOTES.

"SELECTED" ELEVEN OF THE COLONY.

THE LEAGUE STATISTICS.

(By Sentinel.)

In the fixture card of the Hongkong Cricket Club is down for January 30:—A selected XI v. Rest of Colony (on the Club ground). I learn that invitations have been sent out to the various clubs to make this match really representative. If successful, similar matches will be held in future.

It is understood that the object of a match of this nature is to keep an inter-colony in existence, to represent the Colony at any time. The next inter-colony is not due to be played till nearly a year later but it is always of advantage to know how we stand.

Mr. R. Hancock and Mr. T. E. Pearce are getting together the team of "standing eligibles," such to include players with qualifications for Hongkong. Naval men on seagoing ships do not come within this category. Another object is to test new talent. It is to be hoped that two good teams will be chosen.

Flora that S. A. Ismail, the Indian Recreation Club 1st XI stumper, has been chosen to play for the "Selected Team." Ismail has come on tremendously in the last two or three seasons. His batting may not be as consistent as that of Strick, the Surrey and inter-colony wicket-keeper, but he is certainly worth trying. As a product, strictly, of the local school of cricket, Ismail gives much pleasure to his sponsors. He is said that his form in a match against the Club has impressed skipper "Dick" Hancock, that it was decided to give him a chance of turning out in the best company.

Championships in both divisions of the league are still open questions. There is more than a possibility that the final positions will not be decided till the leaders have played off their last match. Outstanding fixtures are:—Kowloon 1st XI—H.K.C.C. (away), Craigengower (away). Navy 1st XI—University (away, to-day), R.A. H.K.C.C. 1st XI—Kowloon (home), University (away), R.A. (home), Chinese R.C. (away). K.C.C. 2nd XI—H.K.C.C. 2nd XI (home), R.E. (home, to-day). H.K.C.C. 2nd XI—K.C.C. 2nd XI (away), University 2nd XI (home).

In the averages a number of names are now omitted as sufficient matches have not been played. Captain Bridgland's score of 84 not out, last Saturday, against the Club juniors, is the highest in the second division of the league this season, the previous best being by T. H. King, for the Police (77 not out) on November 21. Two more batsmen join the list of those who have made over 200 runs (in the league) in E. F. Stewart and G. R. Sayer, both of whom are inter-colony men.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Division I.	No. of	Highest	Score	Average	Age
E. C. Finch (C.S.)	6	91	221	110.50	
Lt. Silfioe (N.)	7	58	103	81.50	
Major Hatterley-Smith (R.A.)	4	92	230	75.00	
Lt. Com. Armistead (N.)	4	110	177	50.00	
H. Owen Hughes (H.K.)	4	59	107	53.50	
Mid. Stephenson (N.)	7	102	353	50.42	
E. J. Mitchell (H.K.)	6	95	138	40.00	
E. F. Stewart (H.K.)	6	70	220	44.00	
A. H. Mader (C.S.)	6	58	223	38.00	
G. R. Sayer (C.S.)	6	51	208	34.65	
W. C. Hung (C.R.C.)	5	59	173	34.60	
Capt. Armstrong (S.)	6	70	201	33.50	
H. C. Hung (C.R.C.)	5	34	66	33.00	
Capt. Morris (K.)	7	97	197	22.83	
D. Fritz (C.C.C.)	5	87	155	31.00	
Mr. Gr. Roush (R.A.)	3	17	30	20.00	
Rev. E. K. Quick (U.)	3	43	80	20.00	
R. E. Lindsay (K.)	5	45	80	27.60	
Lieut. Col. Edmeades (R.A.)	2	30	55	27.50	
Lt. Nicholson (N.)	5	51	110	27.50	
Capt. L. W. Bennett (R.A.)	2	20	27	27.00	
N. P. Kitchell (L.)	5	21	54	27.00	
R. E. H. Oliver (H.K.)	3	37	54	27.00	
A. E. Wood (C.S.)	4	45	125	26.00	
A. A. Ramjahn (U.)	6	48	119	25.80	
A. W. Hayward (H.K.)	5	73	117	23.40	
E. Fincher (C.C.C.)	5	61	98	22.25	
C. M. S. Strick (S.)	6	49	111	22.00	
O. Ismail (L.)	4	54	88	22.00	
K. R. Macdonald (K.)	6	29	66	22.00	
Ng. Sze-kwong (C.R.C.)	5	47	88	20.75	

LOCAL BANK FOOTBALL TEAMS.



Photo by Ying Ming.

Sever teams of the Bank of East Asia and the Bank of Canton which met last Sunday on the Queen's College ground, Causeway Bay, when the Canton Bank won by 2 goals to nil.

Division II.

A. Hoalim (U.)	2	74	79	79.00
Capt. Bridgland (R.E.)	3	84	113	56.50
H. S. Gordon (H.K.)	3	48	119	39.66
W. M. Glens (U.)	4	71	110	36.66
L. D. McNeill (H.K.)	3	43	71	35.50
Mid. Sims (N.)	3	37	68	34.00
T. H. King (P.)	4	77	103	33.66
B. C. K. Hawkins (C.S.)	5	40	133	33.25
T. D. E. Pendered (H.K.)	4	43	90	32.00
C. Lee (K.)	3	64	81	27.00
S. E. Spiller (C.S.)	4	20	50	25.00
Capt. Hollands (R.E.)	3	38	74	24.66
Y. A. Wahab (I.)	6	61	143	23.83
H. Hassan (L.)	6	46	138	23.00
A. K. Muckenzie (H.K.)	3	33	58	22.66
F. W. Howell (K.)	3	43	57	22.33
A. E. T. Rayon (K.)	3	59	57	22.00
J. Hall (R.K.)	3	52	63	21.00
T. W. Carr (C.S.)	4	30	42	21.00
C. F. Alexander (P.)	3	67	62	20.66
R. F. Harper (H.K.)	4	32	82	20.50
Mr. E. G. Nicholson (H.K.)	5	25	81	20.25
Mid. Dickens (N.)	2	31	40	20.00

* Signifies "not out."
[Minimum 2 innings but not less than half matches of respective team, average 20 runs or over.]

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Division I.	Wickets.	Average
Rev. E. K. Quick (U.)	11	5.80
P. F. Stewart (H.K.)	10	7.30
A. Col. Cantrell (N.)	20	8.34
B. D. Evans (C.S.)	14	9.35
Pay-Com. Woodward (N.)	17	9.82
A. C. I. Bowker (H.K.)	12	10.41
Lt. Henslowe (R.A.)	7	12.57
Lt. Smith (R.A.)	7	12.71
Mr. M. A. Smith (L.)	14	13.97
S. O. Shahabuddin (U.)	13	14.00
Lt. Silfioe (N.)	4	14.00
P. Goodwin (K.)	22	14.13
C. W. Lam (U.)	7	14.14
Capt. Allfree (S.)	4	14.75

Division II.	Wickets.	Average
Sgt. Jones (R.E.)	8	3.12
T. D. E. Pendered (H.K.)	12	6.06
Pay-Lt. Allen (N.)	10	6.92
A. R. F. Roberts (N.)	6	7.33
R. G. Robertson (P.)	13	7.57
C. F. Alexander (P.)	5	7.60
A. Hoalim (U.)	6	10.13
F. W. Howell (K.)	6	10.33
Capt. M. S. Jacob (R.E.)	5	10.60
Lt. Hayler (N.)	6	11.13
G. Lee (K.)	15	11.20
A. S. Smith (U.)	14	11.25
H. S. Gordon (H.K.)	4	11.25
B. N. Sudan (U.)	12	11.58
Eng. Lt. Bennett (N.)	10	11.80
W. H. Edmonds (C.S.)	16	11.81
H. Griffin (H.K.)	4	12.45
Lt. Smith (N.)	12	13.23
A. Lucas (P.)	10	13.90
M. P. Mader (L.)	10	13.90
Y. A. Wahab (I.)	9	14.55

[Minimum 2 innings but not less than half matches of respective teams, average not more than 15 runs per wicket.]

League Records This Season.

HIGHEST INNINGS.
Senior, Indian R.C. 236 (for 9 wks.) v. Craigengower C.C. (I.R.C.) ground, Dec. 19.
Junior, Royal Navy 2nd XI 200 (for 6 wks., Dec.) v. Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI, K.C.C. ground, Dec. 5.



Battling Siki, who knocked out Carpenter and who has lost more battles outside the ring than any other boxer, took the long count in New York when he thrust his jaw right into a right swing by a policeman, intent on treating him. After the birds had stopped singing, Siki was found for disorderly conduct. This incident occurred shortly before Siki's death by foul play.

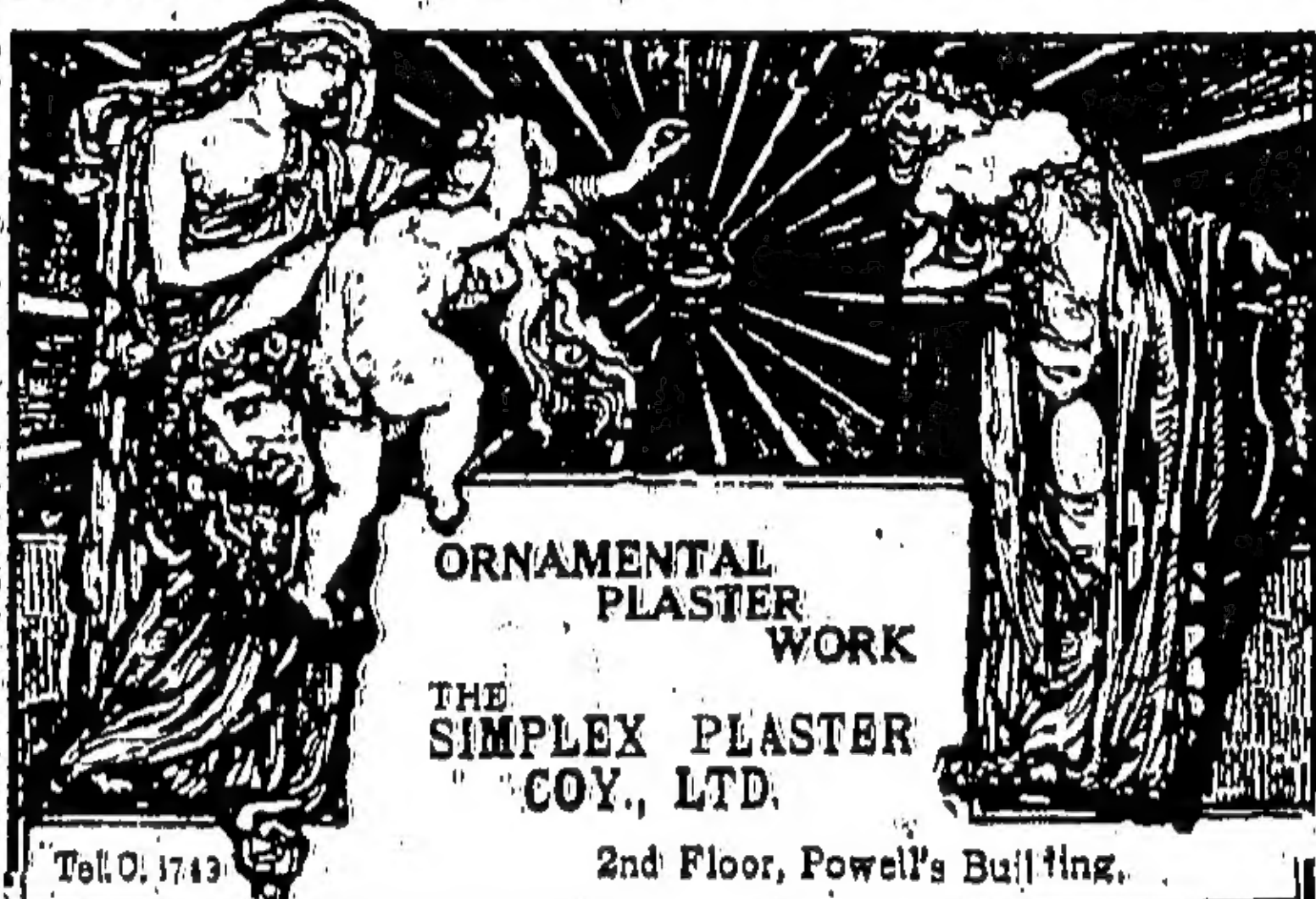
LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 23, 1926, 10.30 A.M.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association.	Share & Real Estate Brokers' Society.
T.T. on London	2/4 3/4	2/4 3/4	2/4 3/4
T.T. on Shanghai	78 3/4	78 3/4	78 3/4
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1060 b.	\$1060 b 1065	\$1060 sa.
do. London	212 1/2 n.	—	212 1/2 n.
Chartered Bank	22 1/2 n.	22 1/2 n.	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	22 1/2 n.	22 1/2 n.	—
do. C.	21 1/2 n.	21 1/2 n.	—
P. & O. Bank	20 1/2 n.	20 1/2 n.	—
Bank of East Asia	85 n.	80 n.	80 n.
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	590 b.	600 n.	\$ 600 n.
China Underwriters	24 n.	230 n.	2 n.
North China Insurance	214 n.	T 140 n.	—
Union Insurance	253 b. 254 sa.	254 b. & sa.	\$255 b.
Yangtze Insurance	35 b.	36 b.	—
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	165 h.	165 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	600 s.	600 s.	500 n.
Shipping.			
Douglases	33 s.	32 n.	34 s.
Hongkong Steamboats	24 s.	24 s.	23 s.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	4 1/2 n.	4 1/2 n.	4 s.
Indo-China (Prof.)	38 n.	30 n.	37 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	45 n.	—	65 s.
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Oriental Navigation	250 n.	250 n.	—
Shell Transports	97 1/2 n.	97 1/2 h.	97 1/2 h.
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Refineries.			
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Mining.			
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Kallar Mining Ad.	44 1/2 b.	45 1/2 n.	47 1/2 n.
Langkats (Combined)	T 30 s.	T 32 s.	T 32 s.
do. (Single)	20 n.	20 n.	—
Shanghai Exploration	145 n.	145 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	8 n.	8 n.	—
Raub's	\$5.80 s.	\$5 1/2 s.	—
Tronoh Mines	55 1/2 n.	55 1/2 n.	—
Orin Caspian	81 n.	—	—
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Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & W. Wharves	\$123 s.	121 b. 123 s.	\$126 s.
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Hongkows	T 105 n.	—	T 105 n.
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Shanghai Docks	114 s.	112 s.	112 b.
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H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	\$74 b.	8 b.	8 s.
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Hongkong Lands	63 s.	63 s.	63 s.
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H.K. Territorials	6 b.	64 n.	6 n.
Lumphyre Estates	13 1/2 n.	13 1/2 s.	14 s.
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Oriental	3 n.	3 b.	3 s.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	58 s.	62 s.	58 s.
do. (new)	28 s.	34 s.	30 s.
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Rudyard Kipling, when suffering from double pneumonia in London, was attended by Lord Dawson, the King's physician.



Vincent Astor, having sold the famous Fifth Avenue mansion for \$800,000, will build a house of a few rooms for his town residence. Secretary of Agriculture Jardine, for the Government, has extended credits of \$1,000,000 to Iowa farmers for the orderly marketing of their huge corn crop. Earl Jellicoe, commander of the British Navy in the early part of the World War, declares the Dominions should contribute to its support. Lee L. Doblin, of New York, is one of the twelve millionaires banded together to help the needy.



"The Long, Long Trail," a cartoon published at the time of Colonel Roosevelt's death, modelled in bronze by Laura G. Fraser, has been unveiled in the Hotel Roosevelt, New York.

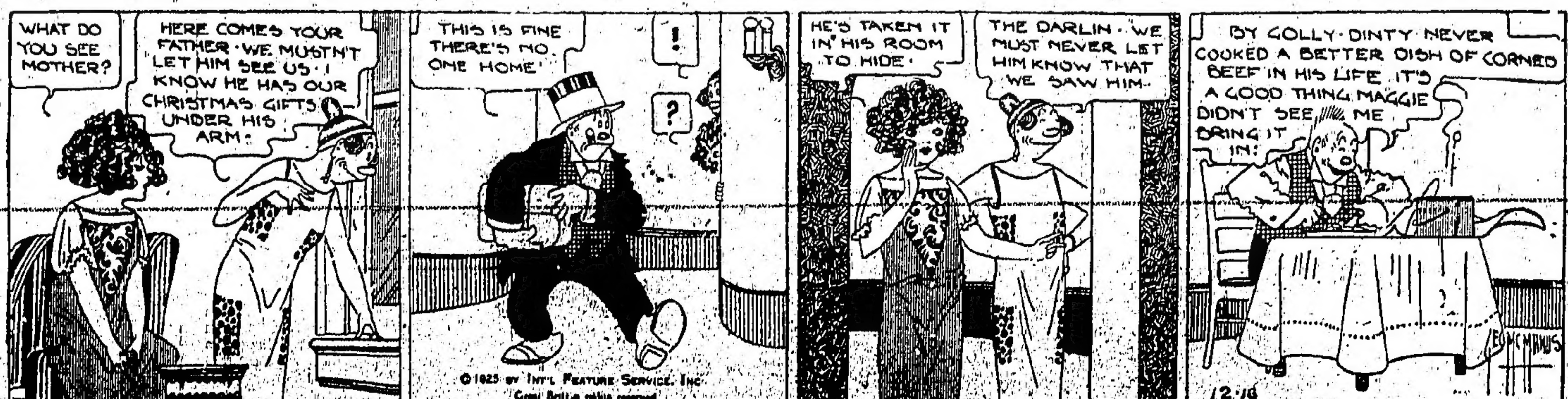


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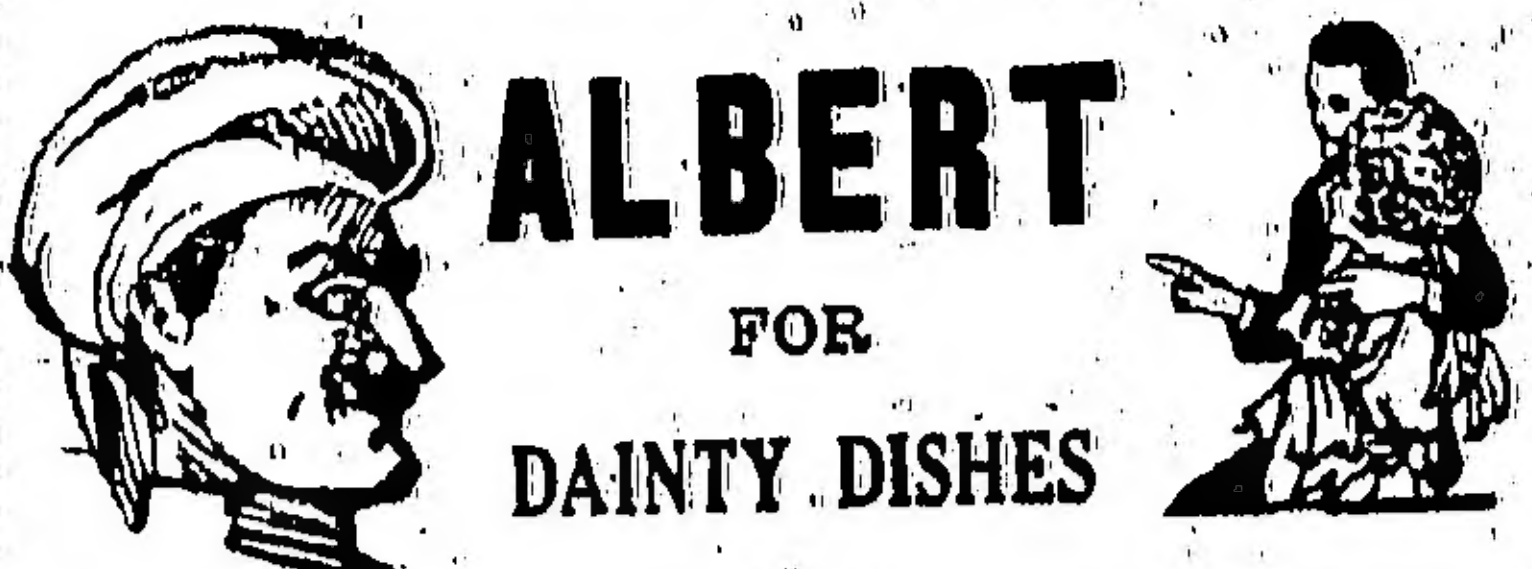
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Black, lightened by a clever touch of white, or punctuated with a favoured shade of blue or green, is the first weeks of January, when the "cold snap" has brought back to the fore, black, in soft silks and satins or velveteens, is truly smart.

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The large hat, which is very smart, chooses ribbons most frequently for its trimming instead of the flowers which graced the summer chapeau. Flowers, of course, are still used in exquisite velvet colours, but the velvet and satin ribbon is seen where true chic is found. Frequently the large hats depend almost entirely upon their lines for beauty rather than the trimming and are without adornment of any kind.

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Straits	SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.	Automedon	
Straits	SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.	Tilawa	
Shanghai	MONDAY, JANUARY 25.	Luchow	
Shanghai	MONDAY, JANUARY 25.	Changow	
Straits	MONDAY, JANUARY 25.	Suwa Maru	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27.	City of Bedford	
Australia and Manila	FRIDAY, JANUARY 29.	Changow	
Japan	FRIDAY, JANUARY 29.	Atsuta Maru	
U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai	SUNDAY, JANUARY 31.	Pres. Jackson	
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1.	Pres. Adams	
U.S.A. Honolulu Japan & Shanghai	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5.	Siberia Maru	
Australia and Manila	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5.	Tanda	

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	SATURDAY, JANUARY 23.	PER	TIME
Manila	SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.	Oldsterk	1 p.m.
Fort Bayard	SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.	Hydrangea	1 p.m.
Fort Bayard	SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.	Kwangtung	3.30 p.m.
Straits	SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.	Wing Hong	3.30 p.m.
Amoy	SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.	Tikil	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A. & America & EUROPE	MONDAY, JANUARY 25.	Pres. Jackson	5 p.m.
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	MONDAY, JANUARY 25.	Pres. Adams	5 p.m.
U.S.A. Honolulu Japan & Shanghai	FRIDAY, JANUARY 29.	Siberia Maru	5 p.m.
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Manila	SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.	Oldsterk	9 a.m.
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NOTICES.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS.

A Dinner will be held on FRI. DAY, February 19th, 1926. Full details will be circulated as soon as possible.
Members are requested to keep this date open.
P. T. FARRELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1926.

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The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company, will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 15th January to WEDNESDAY, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
L. S. GREENHILL,
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Hongkong, January 7, 1926.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from SATURDAY, 30th January, to SATURDAY, 6th February 1926 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.
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